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MINUTES

OF THE

FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Long Branch
Primitive Baptist Association

Held with

LEGGETT CHAPEL CHURCH

EDGECOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Beginning

Friday Before the Third Sunday in October, 1951

PROCEEDINGS

October 19, 20, and 21, 1951

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The Moderator arose and sung Hymn No. 400 and Bro. George Wimberley led in prayer. Then the Moderator arose and read for his morning lesson the I Chapter of St. John down to the 16th verse. And he preached from the same chapter. He was chosen to preach the Education Sermon. Then Elder Willie Carney arose, who was chosen to preach the Alternate Sermon, and sang Hymn No. 393 and preached from the 18th Chapter of St. Matthew down to the 6th verse. Then the Moderator arose and sang Hymn No. 188 and closed for one hour.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Elder W. M. Weaver arose and opened by singing Hymn No. 397 and prayer was by Elder Joe Taylor. The Moderator arose and announced the house in order for any business.

1—Moved and agreed Elder J. H. Dickens should moderate our Association Conference.

2—Moved and agreed that all officers remain the same.

3—Moved and agreed that all Delegates and Messengers with whom we correspond be invited to set with us and take a part in our Conference and feel themselves at home.

4—Moved and agreed that all visiting brethren and sisters are invited to sit with us and help us out in our deliberations and feel themselves at home.

5—Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called. Leggett's Chapel, Logsboro and Long Branch all answered present.

6—Moved and agreed that a door be open for receiving of new churches. Delegates from Tar River Chapel Church and Carson Chapel Church came forward with letters moved to join on with the Long Branch Association.

7—Moved and agreed that the letters be read.

8—Moved and agreed that the letters be received and the churches enrolled.

9—Moved and agreed that the Moderator extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

10—Moved and agreed that a committee of three be appointed on arrangements to arrange preaching during the session. They were as follows: Elder Willie Carney, Bro. Osten Higgs, and Elder J. H. Dickens.

11—Moved and agreed that the report of the committees be received.

12—Moved and agreed that we will send someone to the stand to preach for the people—Elder Frank Bell and Elder John Charles.

13—Moved that the report of the committee be received.

14—Moved and agreed that Bro. Jonie Knight go to the stand and record the preachers' text from day to day.

15—Moved and agreed that the delegates from the sister associations with whom we correspond now make their report. Elder Jim Berrett came forth from Radicue Association with a file of minutes, representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

16—Moved and agreed that the delegates from Radicue be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates. Elder Willie Wilson came forth from the Union Line Association with a file of minutes, representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

17—Moved and agreed that the delegates from Union Line Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates. Elder Frank came forth from Correspondence Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

18—Moved and agreed that the delegates from Correspondence Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates. Contentnea Association was not present. Elder Ceaser Alston came forth from Cooper's Grove Association with a file of minutes, representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

19—Moved and agreed that the delegates from Cooper's Grove Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder Dorton came forth from Bethlehem Association with a file of minutes, representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

20—Moved and agreed that the delegates from Bethlehem Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

21—Moved and agreed that the correspondence letters be called for, there were none.

22—Moved and agreed that the petitionary letters be called for. There were none.

23—Moved and agreed that we will see where the next association will sit. The next Long Branch Association will sit at Tar River Chapel Church in East Tarboro, North Carolina, 1952, to begin on Friday before the third Sunday in October 1952.

24—Moved and agreed that Elder John Charles preach the Introductory Sermon and Elder J. H. Dickens be his alternate.

25—Moved and agreed that the Long Branch Conference adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

The Moderator arose and sang Hymn No. 515 and benediction was by the Moderator.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator.

BRO. NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association was called to order by the Moderator singing Hymn No. 582 and prayer was offered by Elder Ceaser Alston. The Moderator then arose and announced that the Association was open for business.

It was moved and agreed that the list of churches be called and all answered present. Moved and agreed that the list of delegates be called and all answered present.

Moved and agreed that Friday evening session of minutes be received and all errors be corrected. Moved and agreed that the Committee on Arrangements make their report which was as follows: Elder Joe Taylor, Elder John Charles, and Elder

Willie Carney. Moved and agreed that the report of the committee be received. Moved and agreed that the association letter be called for. Moved and agreed that we will take up unfinished business. Moved and agreed that we get out delegates to visit our corresponding associations from place to place. It was moved and agreed to send Elder Frank Bell to the Contentnea Association. It was moved and agreed to send Elder John Charles to the Cooper's Grove Association. Moved and agreed to send Elder Willie Carney to the Radicue Association. Moved and agreed to send Elder J. H. Dickens to the Union Line Association. Moved and agreed to send Elder Frank Bell to the Corresponding Association. Moved and agreed to send Elder J. H. Dickens to the Bethlehem Association. Moved and agreed that the association have 250 minutes printed under the service of the Moderator and Clerk. Moved and agreed that the association take up a contribution. Received from the churches:

Long Branch Church	$11.45
Logsboro Church	12.00
Leggett's Chapel Church	11.20
Tar River Chapel Church	11.40
Carson Chapel Church	11.40
Total	$57.45
Penny collection	63.17
Expenses of Association	57.45
Balance	63.17

Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee make their report. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee report be received. Moved and agreed that the old treasurer make her report. Moved and agreed that the report of the old treasurer be received. Moved and agreed that the rules of the Decorum and the Church government abstracts and principles be printed in the 1951 minutes. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of the Association. It was moved and agreed that if there be no further business the Association would adjourn until 1952. The Moderator arose and sang Hymn No. 507 and the benediction was given by the moderator.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BRO. NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk.

SATURDAY EVENING

The Moderator arose and sang Hymn No. 380 and Elder W. M. Weaver offered prayer. Elder B. B. Exum arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder W. M. Weaver arose and sang Hymn No. 144 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder W. J. Moore arose and sang Hymn No. 616 and preached from the 16th Chapter of St. John, down to the 4th verse. Elder Leany Hill arose and sang Hymn No. 363 and preached from the 6th Chapter of Isaiah and 1st verse. Elder J. H. Dickens arose and sang Hymn No. 201 and closed. Benediction was by the Moderator.

SUNDAY MORNING

Ministers' Texts

The meeting was open by Elder Dalton. He arose and sang Hymn No. 200 and read the 15th Chapter of St. John down to the 9th verse. Then the Moderator arose and sang Hymn No. 382, led in prayer by Elder Willie Carney. Then he arose and preached from the 15th Chapter of St. John. Elder Colley arose and sang Hymn No. 433 and preached from the 1st Chapter of St. John and 1st verse. Elder Dalton arose and sang Hymn No. 626 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Ceaser Alston arose and sang Hymn No. 353 and preached from the 15th Chapter of St. John and the 5th verse.

Elder Joe Taylor arose and sang Hymn No. 393 and preached from the 15th Chapter of St. John and the 14th verse. Elder Russell Carrett arose and sang Hymn No. 364 and preached from the 5th Chapter of Isaiah. Elder W. M. Weaver arose and sang Hymn No. 674 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Luther Hyman arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder John Winston arose and sang Hymn No. 400 and preached from St. Matthew. Elder J. W. Moore arose and sang Hymn No. 189 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder B. B. Exum arose and sang Hymn No. 68 and preached from St. Matthew, 2nd Chapter. Elder J. H. Dickens arose and spoke a few words of encouragement, and sang Hymn No. 284 and the Association was dismissed by Elder W. J. Moore.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Frank Bell, Oak City, North Carolina.
Elder Willie Carney, Hobgood, North Carolina.
Elder J. H. Dickens, Tarboro, North Carolina.
Elder John Charles, Tarboro, North Carolina.

CIRCULAR LETTER

This is the Fourth Annual Session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association, held with Leggett's Chapel Church in Edgecombe County, North Carolina. It began on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1951.

Dear Brethren:

The Lord has blessed us to meet again from North, South, East and West. We are thankful of our Heavenly Father for preserving our lives. Oh, how good it is for brethren to dwell together in peace. God has commanded us to stand fast in liberty which Christ has made us free. Let us serve God with Godly fear and pray that the word of God may have it free course and all we do be done in the glory of God.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To Whom It May Concern:

The beginning of our Fourth Annual Session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association has filled our hearts with gladness. We are glad to express our heartfelt thanks to God who rules both time and season, heaven and earth, since meeting together in our annual session. Many of our friends have gone to their long eternal home and to us who have been spared the journey we mourn them. So brethren, let us try to keep our hearts engaged in the wonderful work of the Lord and the shortness of time and the length of eternity. Knowing the time that knows us now will know us no more. Brethren, remember us in your prayers that the Chief Shepherd will cause our correspondence to continue until traveling days are done.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BRO. NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk.

DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Bro. Mack Dickens, Tarboro, North Carolina.
Bro. Osten Higgs, Rocky Mount, North Carolina.
Bro. George Wimbley, Greenville, North Carolina.
Bro. Jonah Knight, Tarboro, North Carolina.
Bro. Tom Loyd, Bethel, North Carolina.

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Sister Sylvia S. Bryant, Speed, North Carolina.
Bro. Norfleet Carney, Hobgood, North Carolina, R. F. D. 1, Box 140A.
Sister Mary E. Knight, Tarboro, North Carolina.

CHURCHES PASTORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Elder J. H. Dickens, Tarboro, N. C.
Logsboro—Elder J. H. Dickens, Tarboro, N. C.
Leggett Chapel—Elder J. H. Dickens, Tarboro, N. C.
Tar River Chapel—Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Carson Chapel—Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.

CHURCHES AND THEIR DEACONS

Long Branch—Bro. George Wimberley.
Logsboro—Bro. Mack Dickens.
Leggett Chapel—Bro. Osten Higgs and Bro. George Wimbley.
Tar River Chapel—Bro. Jonah Knight.
Carson Chapel—Bro. Tom Loyd.

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Norfleet Carney, Hobgood, N. C., Rt. 1, Box 140A.
Logsboro—Sister Sylvia S. Bryant, Speed, N. C.
Leggett Chapel—Norfleet Carney, Hobgood, N. C., Rt. 1, Box 140A.
Tar River—Sister Mary E. Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Carson Chapel—Sister Mary E. Knight, Tarboro, N. C.

SABBATH MEETING DAYS

Long Branch—Third Sunday and Saturday before.
Logsboro—Fourth Sunday and Saturday before.
Leggett Chapel—First Sunday and Saturday before.
Tar River Chapel—First Sunday and Saturday before.
Carson Chapel—Second Sunday and Saturday before.

QUARTERLY MEETING DAYS

Long Branch—February, May, August, November.
Logsboro—February, May, August, November.
Leggetts Chapel—February, May, August, November.
Tar River Chapel—March, June, September, December.
Carson Chapel—February, May, August, November.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by reputed righteousness in Christ.

5. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

6. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.

7. We believe that the Saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fail.

8. We believe that Baptist, the Lord's Supper and washing of the Saints feet are ordinances and the true mode of Baptism is by immersion.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous shall be eternal.

10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, except such as are regularly ordained presbytery.

ELDER JAMES H. DICKENS, Moderator
BROTHER NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each church agrees to hold conferences once a month.

2. The Moderator and Clerk should be chosen by the majority of the delegates present.

3. Conference shall be opened by praise or prayer.

4. The door of the church shall be opened for reception of members of fellowship.

5. The state and standing of the church shall be inquired into.

6. No member shall leave the conference without permission of the Moderator.

7. The minority shall submit to the majority in all cases except receiving members to fellowship and to office. This shall be unanimous.

8. Any business brought up in the church shall be read three times before acted upon.

9. We agree that if any member shall violate these rules, such members will be dealt with according to the gospel order.

10. We agree to commune four times a year when all is well.

11. We agree to wash feet four times a year at each church.

12. No member shall have any right to contract any business of the church without the liberty to do so.

13. If any member of the church becomes dissatisfied with the rules of the church they shall be excluded from fellowship until they can give satisfaction and then be restored.

14. If any member shall wilfully absent himself from communion, he shall make his reason known to the church.

15. If any member violates any of these he shall be brought to trial. He must be tried by his own church.

16. If any minister, deacon, or clerk transgresses these rules, the church shall have power to call help from other churches to aid in settling it.

17. We agree not to commune with any persons unless they are baptized in our faith and order.

18. We agree to commune with predestination Baptists who are in good standing.

19. If any member sees another transgressing the rules of the church and does not bring it to the church after applying the 18th Chapter of Matthew, they are liable to be tried before the church themselves. Each church shall have a Moderator and be governed by the voice of the members.

20. No exhorting minister shall be admitted to the stand only by preaching his Trial Sermon in a union of association.

21. No ordination shall be done only in union or in association.

22. No traffic or trade shall be carried on within 150 yards of the church grounds.

23. No minister or member shall have a right to carry any of the corresponding association property to any other association.

24. No members who have been withdrawn from fellowship will be allowed to come into the association. He first shall get the right of his home church. The Long Branch Association was organized July 31st, 1948, by the corresponding association and the assistant of the Bethlehem and Radicue Associations.

On August 23, 1948, the Board of Brethren, met at Johnson Chapel Church in reorganizing council with the corresponding brethren and the Long Branch brethren. First Brother Deacon Joyner sang Hymn No. 533 and offered prayer. Then, on motion, agreed that Elder B. B. Exum be Moderator of Council. The house was announced in order for business. On motion it was agreed that Elder S. T. Woodard be chosen for clerk. On motion, it was agreed that visiting brethren and messengers take a seat with us and feel themselves at home.

Next, Brother Deacon Wimberley came forth and explained how the organizing of the Long Branch Association was carried out. Next, Elder B. B. Exum came forth and explained what this called meeting was for. Next, Elder W. J. Moore and Elder J. H. Winston came forth to talk on the meeting. On motion that minutes of the previous meeting be read, it was granted. On motion agreed that Elder B. B. Exum came

forth and confess his error and beg the conference to forgive him. On motion, agreed that it be granted. On motion agreed that the Long Branch brethren be left in care of the corresponding association until their session meeting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1948. On motion that the Long Branch brethren be in full fellowship with our corresponding churches wherever they be.

On motion, agreed that the clerk will take these minutes home and straighten them out as best he can and mail them to the different brethren.

It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing Hymn No. 507.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BRO. NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	DELEGATE'S NAME	Baptized	Received by letter	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Deceased	Restored	Rec. by Con. of Faith	Members	Contributions
Long Branch	Bro. George Wimbley..	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	13	$11.45
Logsboro	Bro. Mack Dickens	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	12.00
Leggett Chapel	Bro. Osten Higgs	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	13	11.20
Tar River Chapel	Bro. Jonah Knight	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	11.40
Carson Chapel	Bro. Tom Loyd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	11.40

Minutes

— of the —

Seventh Annual Session

— of the —

LONG BRANCH

Primitive Baptist Association

— held with —

Logsboro Church

EDGECOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Friday before the Third Sunday In October,

1954

The next session of this Association will convene with Leggett Chapel Church in Leggett, Edgecombe County, North Carolina, beginning Friday before the Third Sunday in October, 1955.

— Officers —

ELDER J. H. DICKENS ..... Moderator
BROTHER NORFLEET CARNEY ..... Clerk
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT ..... Assistant Clerk

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Proceedings

OCTOBER 15, Friday Morning Session.

The Moderator arose and sang hymn 382, and Brother George Dickens led in prayer. Then the Moderator arose and read for his morning lesson John 14. Elder J. H. Dickens arose and sang hymn 533, and preached the Introductory Sermon from John 14. Elder John Charles arose and sang hymn 3, and preached the alternate sermon from the same chapter. Elder J. H. Dickens arose and sang hymn 2, and the session closed for one hour.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Elder J. H. Dickens arose and opened by singing hymn 582, and prayer was offered by Brother Shipp. The Moderator arose and announced the house in order for any business.

1. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens be Moderator of our Association conference.

2. Moved and agreed that Brother George hold his same office.

3. Moved and agreed that all officers remain the same.

4. Moved and agreed that all delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take a part in our conference and feel themselves at home.

5. Moved and agreed that visiting brothers and sisters are invited to sit with us and help us out in our deliberations and feel themselves at home.

6. Moved and agreed that Brother Travis Knight be our assistant Clerk.

7. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called:

Leggett Chapel, Logsboro, Long Branch, Tar River Chapel, Carson Chapel, and Little Mount Zion. All answered present.

8. Moved and agreed that a door be opened for receiving new churches. None came.

9. Moved and agreed that a Committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching during the session. They were as follows:

Elder John Charles, Brother Sam Bryant, and Resion Lloyd.

10. Moved and agreed that the report of the Committee be

received.

11. Moved and agreed that we will send someone to the stand to preach for the people:

12. Brother Jenel Dickens, Elder John Pitt, Elder Joe Taylor.

13. Moved and agreed that the report of the Committee be received.

14. Moved and agreed that Brother Resion Lloyd go to the stand and record the preachers' texts from day to day.

15. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the sister Associations with whom we correspond now make their report:

Elder H. G. Gardner came forth from Corresponding Association with a file of Minutes, representing peace and love, and desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Corresponding Associations be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder Joe Taylor came forth from Radicue Association with a file of Minutes, representing peace and love, and desiring correspondence to continue.

17. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Radicue be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fllowship to the delegates.

Brother Ricks came forth from Union Line Association with a file of Minutes, representing peace and love, and desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Union Line Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder John Pitt came forth from Bethlehem Association with a file of Minutes, representing peace and love, and desiring correspondence to continue.

19. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Bethlehem Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder Cecil Alston came forth from Cooper Grove Association with a file of Minutes, representing peace and love, and desiring correspondence to continue.

20. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Cooper Grove

Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Contentnea was not represented.

Elder H. Araford came forth from Loving Association with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

21. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

22. Moved and agreed that the corresponding letters be called for. There were none.

23. Moved and agreed the petitionary letters be called for. None received.

24. Moved and agreed that we will see where the next session of our Association will meet. The Long Branch Association will convene with Leggett Chapel Church, in Edgecombe County, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1955.

25. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens preach the Introductory Sermon and Elder John Charles be his alternate.

26. Moved and agreed that the Long Branch conference adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. The Moderator arose and sang hymn 400 and benediction was by Elder Joe Taylor.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator,
BROTHER NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT Ast. Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator singing hymn 393, and prayer was offered by Brother Joe Joyner. The Moderator then arose and announced that the Association was open for business.

27. It was moved and agreed that the list of the churches be called. All answered present.

28. Moved and agreed that the Minutes of the Friday evening session be received and all errors corrected.

29. Moved and agreed that the Committee on Arrangements make their report which was as follows: Brother Jenel Dickens,

Elder John Pitt and Elder Joe Taylor, and as many more as the Moderator sees fit.

30. Moved and agreed that the report of the Committee be received.

31. Moved and agreed the Association Letter be called for.

32. Moved and agreed that we take up unfinished business.

33. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit corresponding Associations. It was moved and agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Contentnea: Elder J. H. Dickens.

Cooper Grove: Elder John Charles.

Radicue: Elder J. H. Dickens.

Loving: Elder J. H. Dickens.

Union Line: Elder John Charles.

Bethlehem: Brother George Wemberly.

Corresponding: Brother Jenel Dickens.

34. Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 copies of these Minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

35. Moved and agreed the Association take up a contribution.

Received from the churches:

Long Branch Church	$ 15.00	
Logsboro Church	15.00	
Leggett Chapel Church	15.00	
Tar River Chapel Church	15.00	
Carson Chapel Church	15.00	
Little Mount Zion Church	17.00	
Total	$92.00	$92.00
Penny Collection	$241.94	
Expenses of the Association	123.17	
Balance	118.77	

36. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee make their report.

37. Moved and agreed that the Financial report be received.

38. Moved and agreed that the old Treasurer make his report.

39. Moved and agreed that the report be received.

40. Moved and agreed that the Rules of Decorum and the

Church Government and Abstract of Principles be printed in the Minutes for 1955.

41. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of the Association.

42. Moved and agreed that the Association will ordain Brother Joe Willis Dickens tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

43. It was moved and agreed that if there be no further business, the Association will adjourn until 1955. The Moderator arose and sang hymn 507 and the benediction was given by the Moderator.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator,
BROTHER NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Ass't. C.

SATURDAY EVENING.

Elder John Charles arose and sang hymn 3, and Brother Joe Joiner offered prayer; then Brother Jenel Dickens arose and preached from John 15. Brother Joe Willis Dickens arose and preached John 15. Elder John Pitt preached from Gen. 1. Elder Joe Taylor preached from John 14. Elder John Charles sang hymn 200 and closed the union.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Brother Ricks sang hymn 353 and Brother Ransom Lloyd offered prayer. The Moderator read for his lesson John 14. Bro. Ransom Lloyd preached from John 14. Brother Jenel Dickens preached from John 15:14. Brother Joe Willis Dickens preached from John 11. Elder Sylvanus Worsley sang hymn 73 and preached from John 11. Elder J. H. Dickens made a few remarks of encouragement and sang hymn 616 and closed.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Ministers' texts, and the ordination of Brother Joe Willis Dickens. The Moderator sang hymn No. 2 and prayer was offered by Elder Willie Carney. The Moderator read Matt. 25:14 and ordained Brother Joe Willis Dickens. Then the Moderator sang hymn 188 and prayer was offered by Brother George Wemberly. The Moderator read Matt. 26:12. Then Elder Joe Willis Dickens arose and preached from Matt. 25.

Elder John Pitt arose and preached, In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was God. Elder Joe Taylor sang hymn 144 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Cecil Alston sang hymn 353 and preached from John 14. Elder H. Umford arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Charles Powell sang hymn 492 and preached from Psa. 105. Elder Frank Gear preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Johnnie Morning sang hymn 91 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Woodfin sang hymn 3 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Levy Hill sang hymn 284 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder J. H. Dickens arose and made a few remarks of encouragement and sang hymn 400 and the Association was dismissed by Elder Levy Hill.

CIRCULAR LETTER

This is the Seventh Annual Session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association held with Logsboro Church in Edgecombe County, North Carolina, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1954.

Dear brethren:—The Lord has blessed us to meet from north, south, east and west. We are thankful to our heavenly Father for preserving our lives. Oh how good it is for brethren to dwell together in peace. God has commanded us to stand fast in the liberty with which Christ has made us free. Let us serve God with godly fear and pray that the word of God may have its free course and all we do be done in the glory of God.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

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have gone to their long eternal home and to us who have been spared the journey we mourn them. So brethren, let us try to keep our hearts engaged in the wonderful work of the Lord and the shortness of time and the length of eternity. Knowing the time that knows us now will know us no more. Brethren, remember us in your prayers that the chief Shepherd will cause our correspondence to continue until traveling days are done.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator,
BROTHER NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk,
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Ass't. Clerk.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Frank Bell, Oak City, N. C., R. F. D. 1
Elder Willie Carney, R. F. D. 1, Hobgood, N. C.
Elder J. H. Dickens, R. F. D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder Trent Lloyd, Speed, N. C.
Elder Joe Willis Dickens, Rt. 2, Tarboro, N. C.

DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Bro. Mack Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. Austin Higgs, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Bro. George Wimberly, R.F.D. 4, Greenville, N. C.
Bro. Jonah Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. Tom Loyd, Bethel, N. C.
Brother Jack Sherrod, Hobgood, N. C.

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On motion, agreed that the clerk will take these minutes home and straighten them out as best he can and mail them to the different brethren.

It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing hymn 507.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BROTHER NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Assistant Clerk

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Little Mount Zion	Brothe Jack Sherrod	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	17.00

Minutes

OF THE

Eighth
Annual Session

OF THE

LONG BRANCH

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

LEGGETT CHAPEL CHURCH
EDGECOMBE COUNTY, N. C.
FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY
IN OCTOBER,

1955

The next session of this Association will convene with Tar River Chapel Church in Tarboro, Edgecombe County, North Carolina, beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1956.

OFFICERS

ELDER J. H. DICKENS ..... Moderator
BROTHER NORFLEET CARNEY ..... Clerk
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT ..... Assistant Clerk

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Proceedings

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, October 14, 1955.

The Moderator arose and sang hymn 73 and read for his morning lesson John 14, and Brother George Wimbley led in prayer. Then Elder J. H. Dickens, who was chosen to preach the Introductory Sermon, arose and preached from John 14. Then Elder John Charles sang hymn 3 and preached the alternate sermon from the same chapter. Elder Joe Taylor sang hymn 144 and preached from the same text, then Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 582 and closed for one hour.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION:

Brother George Wimbley opened by singing hymn 141 and offered prayer. The Moderator announced the house in order for any business.

1. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens be the Moderator of our Association for this twelve months.

2. Moved and agreed that all officers remain the same.

3. Moved and agreed that all delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take a part in our conference and feel themselves at home.

4. Moved and agreed that visiting brothers and sisters are invited to sit with us and help us out in our deliberations and feel themselves at home.

5. Moved and agreed that Brother Travis Knight be our Assistant Clerk.

6. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called.

Long Branch, Logsboro, Leggett Chapel, Tar River Chapel, Carson Chapel, Little Mount Zion, all answered present.

7. Moved and agreed that a door be opened for receiving new churches. None came.

8. Moved and agreed that a Committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching during the session. They were as follows: Elder John Charles, Brother Resion Lloyd, and Brother Joiner Knight.

Finance Committee as follows: Brother Tom Maggin, Elder Joe Taylor, Elder W. M. Weaver.

9. Moved and agreed that the report of the Committee be received.

10. Moved and agreed that Brother Resion Lloyd go to the stand and record the preachers' texts from day to day.

11. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the sister Associations with whom we correspond now make their report. Elder B. B. Exum came forth from Corresponding Association with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

12. Moved and agreed that the delegates from corresponding Associations be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates. Brother Willie Bullock came forth from Radicue Association with file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

13. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Radicue Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates. Brother Ben Sharp came forth from Union Line Association with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

14. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Union Line be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates. Brother Ruffin Hyman came forth from Bethlehem Association with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

15. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Bethlehem be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates. Elder W. B. Enoch came forth from Cooper Grove Association with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Cooper Grove be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates. Elder Jamie Bunch came forth from Contentnea Association with a file of minutes, representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

17. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Contentnea Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates. Brother Willie Perry came forth from Loving Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

19. Moved and agreed that the corresponding letters be called for. There were none.

20. Moved and agreed that the petitionary letters be called for. None received.

21. Moved and agreed that we will see where the next session of our Association will meet. The Long Branch Association will convene with Tar River Chapel Church in Tarboro, North Carolina, Edgecombe County, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1956.

22. Moved and agreed that Elder John Charles preach the Introductory Sermon and Elder J. H. Dickens be his alternate.

23. Moved and agreed that the Long Branch conference adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock. The Moderotor arose and sang hymn 507 and benediction was by Elder J. H. Dickens.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BRO. NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk
BRO. TRAVIS KNIGHT, Ass't. Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order by Brother George Wimbley, with hymn 400, and prayer was offered by Brother Ruffin Hyman. The Moderator then arose and announced that the Association was open for business.

24. It was moved and agreed that the list of the churches be called. All answered present.

25. Moved and agreed that the minutes of Friday evening's session be read and approved.

26. Moved and agreed that the Friday evening session be received and all errors corrected.

27. Moved and agreed that the Committee on Arrangements make their report which was as follows: Brother Resion Lloyd, Brother Ruffin Hyman and Elder Dewey Battle and as many more as the Moderator sees fit.

28. Moved and agreed that the report of the Committee be received.

29. Moved and agreed that the Association Letter be called for.

30. Moved and agreed that we take up unfinished business.

31. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit corresponding associations. It was moved and agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Contentnea: Elder Joe Willie Dickens
Cooper Grove: Elder J. H. Dickens.
Radicue: Brother Resion Lloyd.
Loving: Elder John Charles.
Union Line: Brother Jerrel Dickens.
Bethlehem: Elder Joe Willie Dickens.
Corresponding: Elder John Charles.

Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 copies of these minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

33. Moved and agreed the Association take up a contribution.

Received from the churches	$ 91.00
Penny collection	298.38
Expenses of the Association	193.38
Balance	$105.00

34. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee make their report.

35. Moved and agreed that the Finance report be received.

36. Moved and agreed that the old treasurer make his report.

37. Moved and agreed that the report be received.

38. Moved and agreed that the Rules of Decorum and the Church Government and Abstract of Principles be printed in the Minutes for 1956.

39. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebetedness of the Association.

40. Moved and agreed that the Association will adjourn until 1956. The Moderator arose and sang hymn 629 and the benediction was given by the Moderator.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BRO. NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk
BRO. TRAVIS KNIGHT, Ass't. Clerk

SATURDAY EVENING.

Brother George Wimberly arose and sang hymn 400 and Brother Ruffin Hyman offered prayer. Then Brother Resion Lloyd sang hymn 201, arose and preached from Gen. 1. Brother Ruffin sang hymn, arose and preached Gen. 1. Elder Dossey Battle arose, sang hymn 76, and preached John 1. Elder Sylvalia Worsley arose and preached John 2. Elder B. N. Ward arose and sang hymn 380, and preached from Matt. 25. Elder Steven Woodard arose and sang hymn 72 and preached from Romans 8. Elder J. H. Dickens arose and sang hymn 285 and closed the union.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Brother George Wimberly arose and sang hymn 400 and Brother Willie Staton offered prayer. Brother Frank Gear arose and preached from John 1. Elder Amos Runford arose and sang hymn 188 and preached from John 9. Elder W. Enoch arose and preached a wonderful text. Brother Jenel Dickens arose and sang hymn 345 and preached from St. John 14. Brother Willie Bullock arose and preached from St. John 14. Brother Ruffin Hyman arose and preached from Gen. 1. Elder Joe Willie Dickens arose and preached from St. John 1. Elder Charlie M. Bullock arose and preached from John 1. Elder Sylvalia Worsley arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Jonah Bunch arose and preached from John 15:14. Elder J. H. Dickens arose and made a few remarks of encouragement and sang hymn 582 and closed.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Brother George Wimberly arose and sang hymn 141 and prayer was offered by Brother David Mayor. Then Elder W. Weaver arose and read for his morning lesson, John 8:28. Then Brother Willie Bullock arose and sang hymn 353 and preached a wonderful text. Then Brother Ruffin Hyman arose and preached a wonderful text. Brother Jonah Bunch arose and preached a wonderful text. Then Elder Willie Carney arose and preached a wonderful text. Then Elder W. B. Enoch arose and preached a wonderful text. Elder John Charles preached a wonderful text, and Elder Amos Unford arose and preached from Matt. 25. Elder B. B. Exum arose and preached from St. John 14. Then Elder J. H. Dickens arose and made a few remarks of encouragement and sang hymn 2 and the Association was dismissed by Elder John Charles.

CIRCULAR LETTER

This is the Eighth Annual Session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association held with Leggett Chapel Church in Edgecombe County, North Carolina, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1955.

Dear brethren: The Lord has blessed us to meet from north, south, east and west. We are thankful to our heavenly Father for preserving our lives. Oh, how good it is for brethren to dwell together in peace. God has commanded us to stand fast in the liberty with which Christ has made us free. Let us serve God with godly fear, and pray that the word of God may have its free course and all we do be done in the glory of God.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To whom it may concern:

The beginning of the Eighth Annual Session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association has filled our hearts with gladness. We are glad to express our heart-felt thanks to God who rules both time and season, heaven and earth.

Since meeting together in our annual session, many of our friends have gone to their long awaited home and to us who have been spared the journey, we mourn them. So Brethren, let us try to keep our hearts employed in the wonderful work of the Lord and the shortness of time and the length of eternity, knowing the time that knows us now will know us no more. Brethren, remember us in your prayers, that the Chief Shepherd will cause our correspondence to continue until traveling days are done.

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Elder Joe Willis Dickens, Rt. 2, Tarboro, N. C.

DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

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Bro. Austin Higgs, Rocky Mount, N. C.
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Bro. James Harrell

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

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Tar River Chapel Church

EDGECOMBE COUNTY, N. C.

FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION:

Elder J. H. Dickens opened by singing hymn No. 2, and Elder Adams offered prayer. Elder J. H. Dickens announced the house in order for business.

1. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens be the Moderator of our Association for this twelve months.

2. Moved that Brother Norfleet Carney be our Association Clerk for this twelve months.

3. Moved and agreed that Brother Travis Knight be our Assistant Clerk for this twelve months.

4. Moved and agreed that Brother Mack Dickens be our Association Treasurer for this twelve months.

5. Moved and agreed that Brother George Wimberly be our mouthspeaker for this twelve months.

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7. Moved and agreed that Brother Johnnie Knight be a Finance Committee.

8. Moved and agreed that all delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take a part in our conference, and feel themselves at home.

9. Moved and agreed that visiting Brothers and Sisters are invited to sit with us and help us out in our deliberations, and feel themselves at home.

10. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called:

Long Branch, Leggett Chapel, Tar River Chapel, Logsboro, Little Mount Zion—all answered present.

11. Moved and agreed that a door be opened for receiving new churches. None came.

12. Moved and agreed that a Committee of three be appointed

to arrange preaching during the session. They were as follows: Elder John Charles, Brother R. Lloyd, and Brother Joiner Knight. Finance Committee as follows: Brother R. Lloyd, Elder Adams, Elder John Morning.

13. Moved and agreed that the report of the Committee be received.

14. Moved and agreed that Brother R. Lloyd go to the stand and record the preachers' texts from day to day.

15. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the sister Associations with whom we correspond now make their report:

Elder J. J. Adams came forth with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Moved and agreed that J. J. Adams and his Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder George Thorpe came forth from Radicue Association with a file of Minutes, representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

17. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Radicue Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder S. A. Short came forth from Corresponding Association with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Corresponding be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder Levi Edwards came forth from Union Line Association with a file of Minutes, representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

19. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Union Line be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder Johnnie Rodgers came forth from Bethlehem Association with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

20. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Bethlehem be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellow-

ship to the delegates.

Brother Debro Bunch came forth from Contentnea Association with a file of Minutes representing peace and love ahd desiring correspondence to continue.

21. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Contentnea be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder C. L. Alston came forth from Coopers Grove with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

22. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Coopers Grove be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

The delegates from Loving Association came forth with a file of Minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

23. Moved and agreed that the delegates from Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

24. Moved and agreed that the corresponding letters be called for. There were none.

25. Moved and agreed that the petitionary letters be called for, none received.

26. Moved and agreed that we will see where the next session of our Association will meet. The Long Branch Association will convene with Little Mount Zion Church in Speed, N. C., Edgecombe County, beginning on Friday before the the third Sunday in October, 1957.

27. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder John Charles be his alternate.

28. Moved and agreed that the Long Branch conference adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. The Moderator sang hymn 505 and benediction was by Elder J. H. Dickens.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BROTHER NORFLETT CARNEY, Clerk
BRO. TRAVIS KNIGHT, Ass't Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION:

The Association was called to order by Brother George Wimberly with hymn 353, and prayer was offered by Elder S. A. Short. The Moderator then announced the Association open for business.

29. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called. All answered present.

30. Moved and agreed that the Minutes of Friday evening session be read and approved.

31. Moved and agreed that the Friday evening session be received and all errors corrected.

32. Moved and agreed that the Committee on Arrangements make their report which was as follows: Elder Joe Willis Dickens, Elder Willie Maryland, Elder J. J. Adams, and as many more as the Moderator sees fit.

33. Moved and agreed that the report of the Committee be received.

34. Moved and agreed that Association Letter be called for.

35. Moved and agreed that we take up unfinished business.

36. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit corresponding Associations. It was moved and agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Radicue: Elder J. H. Dickens.

Cooper Grove: Elder John Charles.

Contentnea: Elder John Charles.

Union Line: Elder Joe Willis Dickens.

Bethlehem: Elder John Charles.

Loving: Brother R. Lloyd.

Corresponding: Brother J. Dickens.

Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 copies of these Minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

37. Moved and agreed that the Association take up collection.

Received from the churches	$102.50
Penny Collection	93.16
Expences of the Association	116.35
Balance in treasury	$79.31

38. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee make their report.

39. Moved and agreed that the finance report be received.

40. Moved and agreed that the old treasurer make his report.

41. Moved and agreed that the report be received.

42. Moved and agreed that the Rules of Decorum and the Church Government and Abstract of Principles be printed in the Minutes for 1957.

43. Moved and agreed the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of the Association.

44. Moved and agreed that the Association adjourn until 1957. The Moderator sang hymn 506, and benediction was given by the Moderator.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BRO. NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk
BRO. TRAVIS KNIGHT, Ass't. Clerk

SATURDAY EVENING:

Elder James Dickens sang hymn 73 and Brother George Wimberly offered prayer, then Elder Humphrey preached from John 9. Elder B. B. Exum preached from John 5. Elder S. A. Short preached from Isa. 6. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 200 and closed the union.

SATURDAY NIGHT:

Elder James Dickens sang hymn 400 and Elder Johnnie Morning offered prayer. Elder Levi Hill preached from Matt. 15:46. Elder John Pitt sang hymn 200 and preached from Gen. 1. Elder Sylvalia Worsley and preached wonderfully. Elder Bunch preached from Ezek. 4. Elder Johnnie Morning preached from Gen. Elder J. J. Adams preached wonderfully. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 582 and closed.

SUNDAY MORNING:

Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn No. 2, and prayer was offered by Elder William Robersly. Then Elder C. C. Alston read for his morning lesson Heb. 2. Then Elder Ben Cherry preached Deut. 1. Then Elder Wooten preached from Heb. 1. Elder Willie Carney preached from John 15. Elder David Bynum preached wonderfully. Elder Humphrey preached from John

14. Elder Johnnie Rodgers preached from a wonderful text. Elder George Thorpe preached from Psa. 149. Elder W. M. Weaver preached a wonderful text. Elder Joe Taylor sang hymn 144 and preached a wonderful text. Elder John Winstead preached a wonderful text. Elder J. H. Dickens made a few remarks of encouragement and sang hymn 582 and the Association was dismissed by Elder John Charles.

CIRCULAR LETTER

This is the Ninth Annual Session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association held with Tar River Chapel Church, in Edgecombe County, N. C., beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1956.

Dear brethren: The Lord has blessed us to meet from north south, east and west. We are thankful to our heavenly Father for preserving our lives. Oh, how good it is for brethern to dwell together in peace. God has commanded us to stand fast in the liberty with which Christ has made us free. Let us serve God with godly fear and pray that the word of God may have its free course and all we do be it done in the glory of God.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To whom it may concern: The beginning of the Ninth Annual Session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association has filled our hearts with gladness. We are glad to express our heartfelt thanks to God who rules both time and seasons, heaven and earth. Since meeting together in our annual session many of our friends have gone to their long awaited home and to us who have been spared the journey we mourn them. So brethren, let us try to keep out hearts employed in the wonderful work of the Lord and the shortness of time and the length of eternity knowing the time that knows us now will know us no more.

Brethren remember us in your prayer that the chief Shepherd will cause our correspondence to continue until traveling days are done.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BRO. NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk
BRO. TRAVIS KNIGHT, Ass't. Clerk

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder J. H. Dickens, R. F. D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder Joe Willis Dickens, Rt. 2, Tarboro, N. C.

DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Bro. Mack Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. George Wimberly, R.F.D. 4, Greenville, N. C.
Bro. Austin Higgs, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Bro. Jonah Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. Tom Loyd, Bethel, N. C.
Brother Jack Sherrod, Hobgood, N. C.
Bro. James D. Dickens, R.F.D. 2, Tarboro, N. C .
Bro. James Harrell, Tarboro, N. C.

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Bro. Norfleet Carney, Box 135, Speed, N. C.
Sister Mary L. Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Sister Dora Harrell, Hobgood, N. C.
Bro. Travis Knight, R.F.D. 2, Tarboro, N. C.

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Logsboro—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Leggett Chapel—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Tar River Chapel—Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Little Mount Zion—Elder Julious Lloyd, Speed, N. C.

CHURCHES AND THEIR DEACONS

Long Branch—Bro. George Wimberly and Sam Bryant
Logsboro—Bro. Mack Dickens and James D. Dickens
Leggett Chapel—Bros. Austin Higgs and George Wimberly
Tar River Chapel—Bro. Jonah Knight
Little Mount Zion—Brother Jack Sherrod

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Sister Dora Harrell.
Logsboro—Bro. Norfleet Carney, Box 135, Speed, N. C.
Leggett Chapel—Bro. Norfleet Carney, Box 135, Speed, N.C.
Tar River—Sister Mary E. Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Little Mount Zion—Bro. Travis Knight, Tarboro, N. C.

SABBATH MEETING DAYS

Long Branch—Third Sunday and Saturday before.
Logsboro—Fourth Sunday and Saturday before.
Leggett Chapel—First Sunday and Saturday before.
Tar River Chapel—First Sunday and Saturday before.
Little Mount Zion—Second Sunday and Saturday before.

QUARTERLY MEETING DAYS

Long Branch—February, May, August, November.
Logsboro—February, May, August, November.
Leggett Chapel—February, May, August, November.
Tar River Chapel—March, June, September, December.
Little Mount Zion—February, May, August, November.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only faith and practice.
3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability.
4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by reputed righteousness in Christ.
5. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.
6. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.
7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.
8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper, and washing of the saints' feet are ordinances and the true mode of baptism is by immersion.
9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of righteous shall be eternal.
10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper, except such as are regularly ordained presbytery.

ELDER JAMES H. DICKENS, Moderator
BROTHER NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Assistant Clerk

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each church agrees to hold conferences once a month.
2. The Moderator and Clerk should be chosen by the majority of the delegates present.
3. Conference shall be opened by praise or prayer.
4. The door of the church shall be opened for reception of members of fellowship.
5. The state and standing of the church shall be inquired into.
6. No member shall leave the conference without permission of the Moderator.
7. The minority shall submit to the majority in all cases except receiving members to fellowship and to office. This shall be unanimous.
8. Any business brought up in the church shall be read three times before acted upon.
9. We agree that if any member shall violate these rules, such members will be dealt with according to the gospel order.
10. We agree to commune four times a year when all is well.
11. We agree to wash feet four times a year at each church.
12. No member shall have any right to contract any business of the church without the liberty to do so.
13. If any member of the church becomes dissatisfied with the rules of the church they shall be excluded from fellowship until they can give satisfaction and then be restored.
14. If any member shall wilfully absent himself from communion, he shall make his reason known to the church.
15. If any member violates any of these he shall be brought to trial.

He must be tried by his own church.

16. If any minister, deacon, or clerk transgresses these rules, the church shall have power to call help from other churches to aid in settling it.

17. We agree not to commune with any persons unless they are baptized in our faith and order.

18. We agree to commune with predestinarian Baptists who are in good standing.

19. If any member sees another transgressing the rules of the church and does not bring it to the church after applying the 18th Chapter of Matthew, they are liable to be tried before the church themselves. Each church shall have a Moderator and be governed by the voice of the members.

20. No exhorting minister shall be admitted to the stand only by preaching his Trial Sermon in a union or association.

21. No ordination shall be done only in union or in association.

22. No traffic or trade shall be carried on within 150 yards of the church grounds.

23. No minister or member shall have a right to carry any of the corresponding association property to any other association.

24. No members who have been withdrawn from fellowship will be allowed to come into the Association. He first shall get the right of his home church. The Long Branch Association was organized July 31st, 1948, by the corresponding association and the assistance of the Bethlehem and Radicue Associations.

On August 23, 1948, the Board of Brethren met at Johnson Chapel Church in reorganizing council with the corresponding brethren and the Long Branch brethren. First Brother Deacon Joyner sang hymn 533 and offered prayer. Then, on motion, agreed that Elder B. B. Exum be Moderator of Council. The house was announced in order for business. On motion it was agreed that Elder S. T. Woodard be chosen for clerk. On motion, it was agreed that visiting brethren and messengers take a seat with us and feel themselves at home.

Next, Brother Deacon Wimberly came forth and explained how the organizing of the Long Branch Association was carried out. Next, Elder B. B. Exum came forth and explained what this called meeting was for. Next, Elder W. J. Moore and Elder J. H. Winstead came forth to talk on the meeting. On motion that minutes of the previous meeting be read, it was granted. On motion agreed that Elder B. B. Exum come forth and confess his error and beg the conference to forgive him. On motion, agreed that it be granted. On motion agreed that the Long Branch brethren be left in care of the corresponding association until their session meeting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1948. On motion that the Long Branch brethren be in full fellowship with our corresponding churches wherever they be.

On motion, agreed that the clerk will take these minutes home and straighten them out as best he can and mail them to the different brethren.

It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing hymn 507.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BROTHER NORFLEET CARNEY, Clerk
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Assistant Clerk

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAMES OF CHURCH MESSENGERS	Rec'd. by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Dis'd. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Restored	Conf. of Faith	Total Membership	Contributions
Long Branch	Brother George Wimberly	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	10	$15.00
Logsboro	Brother Mack Dickens	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	6	15.00
Leggett Chapel	Brother Austin Higgs	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	8	15.00
Tar River Chapel	Brother Jonah Knight	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	15.00
Little Mount Zion	Brother Jack Sherrod	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	17	15.00

Minutes

OF THE

Tenth

Annual Session

OF THE

LONG BRANCH

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Little Mount Zion Church

Edgecombe County, N. C.

Friday before third Sunday in October,

1957

Next session convenes with Long Branch in Speeds,, Edgecombe County, N. C., beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1958.

OFFICERS

ELDER J. H. DICKENS ..... Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES ..... Assistant Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT ..... Clerk

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Proceedings

OF THE TENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE LONG BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,
Held with Little Mount Zion Church, Edgecombe County, N. C.
Friday before third Sunday in October, 1957.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, October 18, 1957

Brother George Wimberly sang hymn 141 and led in prayer, then Elder J. H. Dickens who was chosen to preach the introductory sermon sang hymn 355 and read for his morning lesson 1 Kings 17 and preached from the same then Elder John Charles preached the alternate sermon after hymn, Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 201 and closed one hour. Benediction by Elder Bell.

FRIDAY AFERNOON SESSION

Elder J. H. Dickens opened by singing hymn 294. George Wimberly sang hymn 253 and Brother George Dickens led in prayer. Elder J. H. Dickens announced the house in order for business.

1. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens be the Moderator of our Association for this twelve months.
2. Moved and agreed that Brother Travis Knight be our Association Clerk for this twelve months.
3. Moved and agreed that Brother George Wimberly be our mouth speaker for this twelve month.
4. Moved and agreed Brother Dickens be our Association Treasurer for this twelve months.
5. Moved and agreed the committee remain the same.
6. Moved and agreed that all the delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take part in our conference and feel themselves at home.
7. Moved and agreed that the visiting brethren and sisters be invited with us and feel themselves at home.
8. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called.

Long Branch, Leggets Chapel, Tar River Chapel, Logsboro, Little Mount Zion, all present.

9. Moved and agreed that a door be opened for receiving new churches, none come.

10. Moved and agreed that a committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching during the session. They were as follows: Elder John Charles, Brother Ransom Lloyd, Brother Jonah Knight. The Committee reported as follows: 1. Brother Ernest Farmer, 2. Brother General Dickens, 3. Brother Ransom Loyd.

11. Moved and agreed that the report be received.

12. Moved and agreed that Brother Ransom Loyd go to the stand to record the preachers' texts during the session.

13. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the sister associations with whom we correspond now make their report.

Elder George Thorpe came forth from Radicue Association with file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

14. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the Radicue be received. by the Moderator extending hand of fellowship.

Elder Frank Bell from Corresponding with file of minutes, representing peace and love desiring correspondence to continue.

15. Moved and agreed that the delegate from Corresponding be received by Moderator extending hand of fellowship.

Elder Frank Greer from the Union Line with file of minutes, representing peace and love, desiring correspondence continued.

16. Moved and agreed that the delegate be received by the Moderator extending hand of fellowship.

Elder John T. More came from Bethlehem with file of miutes representing peace and love desiring correspondence to contiue.

17. Moved and agreed that the delegate be received by the Moderator extending hand of fellowship.

Elder S. L. Woodwards from Contentnea with file of minutes representing peace and love, desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed that the delegate be received by the Moderator extending hand of fellowship.

Elder C. L. Alston from Coopers Grove with file of minutes representing peace and love desiring correspondence to continue.

19. Moved and agreed that the delegate be received by the Moderator exteding hand of fellowship.

Brothe Edgar H. Humphrey from Loving with file of minutes representing peace and love, desiring correspondence to continue.

20. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship.

21. Moved and agreed the Corresponding Letter be received.

22. Moved and agreed the Petitionary Letter be called for, none received.

23. Moved and agreed we will see where the next session of our Association will meet. The Long Branch Association will convene with the Long Branch Church in Speed, N. C., Edgecombe County, beginnig Friday before the third Suday, October, 1958.

24. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens preach the introductory sermon and Elder John Charles be his alternate.

25. Moved and agreed that the Long Branch conference adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. The Moderator sang hymn 73 and benediction by Elder Thomas John T. Moore.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Assistant Mod.
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association was called to order by Elder Holt with hymn 288 and prayer. The Moderator announced the Association open for business.

26. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called, all were present.

27. Moved and agreed that the minutes of Friday evening session be read and approved.

28. Moved and agreed that the minutes of Friday evening be received and all errors corrected.

29. Moved and agreed that the committee on arrangements make their report, which was as follows: 1. Elder Earl Holt, 2. Elder Warren Melton, 3. Elder Joe Taylor.

30. Moved and agreed that the report be received .

31. Moved and agreed that the Association letters be called.

32. Moved and agreed that we take up unfinished business.

33. Moved and agreed that ordination of Brother General

Dickens and Brother Ransom Lloyd take place at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

34. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit our corresponding associations. It was moved and agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Cotentnea: Brother Ransom Lloyd, 1957.

Cooper Grove: Elder John Charles, 1958.

Radicue: Elder J. H. Dikens, 1958.

Bethlehem: Elder Joe Willis Dickens, 1958.

Corresponding Brother General Dickens, 1958.

Union Line: Brother Ransom Lloyd, 1958.

Young Elder John Charles 1958

35. Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 copies copies of these minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

36. Moved and agreed that the Association take up collection.

Received from the churches	$75.00
Penny collection	76.24
Old Treasury	18.41
Total	$169.65
Expenses of the Association	$81.50
Balance in Treasury	$88.15

37. Moved and agreed that the finance report be received.

38. Moved and agreed that the rules of decorum and the church government and abstract of principles be printed in the minutes for 1958.

39. Moved and agreed the finance committee pay the indebtedness of the Association.

40. Moved and agreed that the Association adjourn until 1958, the Moderator sang hymn 505, benediction by the Moderator.

FRIDAY EVENING

Elder John Charles sang hymn 200 and read for the evening lesson St. John 14. Brother Ernest Farmer preached from Rev. 14. Brother General Dickens preached from St. John 14. Elder John Charles closed.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Brother Jack Shird opened by singing hymn 73 and led in prayer. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 8, Elder Frank Bell read for the evening lesson Matt. 25, Brother Ransom Lloyd

sang hymn 214 and preached from Gen. 1, Elder John T. Moore sang 395 and preached a wonderful sermon, Elder Frank Bell sang hymn 492 and preached from St. John 14, Elder J. H. Dickens closed by singing hymn 507, benediction by Elder John T. Moore.

SATURDAY MORNING

Elder John Charles opened by singing 200, Brother James D. Dickens led in prayer, Brother Ransom Lloyd read for the morning lesson the 14th chapter of St. John, Elder Warren Melton preached a wonderful sermon, Elder Joe Taylor preached from St. John 14 and closed for one hour, benediction by Elder Frank Gear.

SATURDAY EVENING

Elder John Charles sang hymn 200 and prayer by Deacon Hart, Elder George Thorpe read for the evening lesson St. John 14., Elder Frank Gear sang hymn 533 and preached from the same chapter, Elder William Carney sang hymn 288 and preached from St. John 15, Elder Woodard preached from St. John 3, benediction by Elder Alston.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 141, Bro. Humphrey led in prayer, Elder Wm. Weaver read for evening lesson Psa. 142, Elder Johnnie Pitt preached concerning games. Elder Ben Cherry preached a wonderful sermon, Elder Paul Alston sang hymn 5 and preached a wonderful sermon, Elder W. M. Weaver sang hymn 530 and preached from Psa. 150, Elder Levi Hill sang hymn 76, no special text, closed by singing hymn 533, benediction by Elder P. L. Hill.

SUNDAY MORNING

Ministers' text and the ordination of Brother General Dickens and Brother Ransom Lloyd; Brother George Wimberly sang hymn 3, Elder J. H. Dickens read Tim. 3 and the ordination took place, after which Brother Mayo sang hymn 345, prayer was led by Brother George Wimberly, Elder Levi Hill read for the morning lesson St. John 14, Elder Ransom Lloyd

preached in God my counsel shall stand, Elder George Thorpe sang hymn 211 and preached from St. John 15, Elder C. L. Alston sang hymn 492 and preached from St. John 3, Elder Willie Carney preached, no special text, Elder Levi Hill sang 372, no special text, Elder Woodard preached a wonderful sermon, Elder Paul Alston preached from Psa., Elder J. H. Dickens made a few remarks of encouragement, sang hymn 144 and the association was dismissed by Elder C. L. Alston.

CIRCULAR LETTER

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CORRESPONDING LETTER

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Brethren remember us in your prayers that the chief Shepherd will cause our correspondence to continue until traveling days are done.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Assistant Mod.
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder J. H. Dickens, R. F. D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder Joe Willis Dickens, Rt. 2, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder Ransom Lloyd, P. O. Box 142, Speed, N. C.
Elder General Dickens, Rt.1, Tarboro, NC

LICENSED MINISTERS

Brother Tom Lloyd, Bethel, N. C.

DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Bro. Mack Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. George Wimberly, R.F.D. 4, Greenville, N. C.
Bro. Austin Higgs, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Bro. Jonah Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Brother Jack Sherrod, Hobgood, N. C.
Bro. James D. Dickens, R.F.D. 2, Tarboro, N. C .
Bro. James Harrell, Tarboro, N. C.

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Logsboro—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Leggett Chapel—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Tar River Chapel—Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Little Mount Zion—Elder J. H. Dickens, Rt. 1, Tarboro, N. C.

CHURCHES AND THEIR DEACONS

Long Branch—Brother George Wimberly.
Logsboro—Bro. Mack Dickens and James D. Dickens
Leggett Chapel—Bros. Austin Higgs and George Wimberly
Tar River Chapel—Bro. Jonah Knight
Little Mount Zion—Brother Jack Sherrod

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Sister Dora Harrell.
Logsboro—Brother Travis Knight, Rt. 2, Tarboro, N. C.
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It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing hymn 507.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
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Leggett Chapel	George Wimberly					2			5	15.00
Tar River Chapel	Brother Jonah Knight	1			3	2			12	15.00
Little Mount Zion	Brother George Wimberly					1			16	15.00

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Primitive Baptist Church, send Greeting to the ....

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(Month) (Year

Elder . ... ,Pastor

Clerk ....

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Minutes

OF THE

Eleventh

Annual Session

OF THE

Long Branch

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Long Branch Church

EDGECOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY

IN OCTOBER,

1958

Next session of this Association convenes with Logsboro Church, between Tarboro and Leggetts, Edgecombe Co., N. C., beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1959

— OFFICERS —

ELDER J. H. DICKENS .... Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES..... Assistant Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT ..... Clerk

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Proceedings

OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE LONG BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, HELD WITH LONG BRANCH CHURCH, EDGECOMBE CO., N. C., FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1958.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, October 17, 1958.

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 141. Brother Mack Dickens led in prayer. Elder J. H. Dickens who was chosen to preach the Introductory Serman sang hymn 35, and read for the morning lesson, John 14:1, and preached from the same chapter. Elder John Charles was chosen to preach the Alternate Sermon and he preached a wonderful sermon. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 353. Benediction by Elder Woodward. Closed for one hour.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION.

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing 345. Brother Harril Bullock led in prayer. The Moderator announced the house in order for business.

. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens be our Moderator for the next twelves months.

2. Moved and agreed that Brother Travis Knight be the Association's Clerk for this twelve months.

3. Moved and agreed that Brother George Wimberly be our speaker for this twelve months.

4. Moved and agreed that Brother Mack Dickens be the Association's Treasurer for this twelve months.

5. Moved and agreed that the committee remain the same.

6. Moved and agreed that the delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take part in our conferance.

7. Moved and agreed that the visiting brothers and sisters be invited to sit with us and feel themselves at home.

8. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called. Long Branch, Leggets Chapel, Tar River Chapel, Logesboro, Little Mount Zion. All present.

9. Moved and agreed that a door be opened for receiving new churches. None came.

10. Moved and agreed that a committee of three be appointed

to arrange preaching during the session. They were as follows: Elder John Charles, Brother Johah Knight, Brother James D. Dickens. The committee reported as follows: 1, Brother Mike Bunch; 2, Elder Joe W. Dickins; 3, Elder Frank Bell.

11. Moved and agreed that the report be received.

12. Moved and agreed that Elder Joe W. Dickens go to the stand to record the preachers' texts during the session.

13. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the sister associations with whom we correspond now make their report.

Elder Joe Taylor came forth from the Radicue Association with a file of minutes representing peach and love, and desiring correspondence to continue.

14. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Radicue Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Charlie Powell came forth from the Corresponding Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

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Elder John Pitt came forth from the Bethlehem Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

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Elder David Bullock came forth from the Union Line Association with a file of minutes, representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

19. Moved and agreed that the delegate from Union Line be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Brother Augusta Chadwick came forth from the Loving Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love, and desiring correspondence to continue.

20. Moved and agreed that the delegate from Loving be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

21. Moved and agreed that the Corresponding letter be called for. None received.

22. Moved and agreed that the petitionary letters be called for. None received.

23. Moved and agreed that we will see where the next session of our Association will meet. The Long Branch Association will convene with the Logsboro Church near Leggett in Edgecombe County, N. C., beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1959.

24. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens preach the introductory sermon and Elder John Charles preach the alternate.

25. Moved and agreed that the Long Branch conference adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't. Mod.
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association was called to order by Brother George Wimberly with hymn 188. Brother J. W. Menton led in prayer. The Moderator announced the Association open for business.

26. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called. All present.

27. Moved and agreed that the Minutes of Friday evening session be read and approved.

28. Moved and agreed that Friday evening session be received and all errors corrected.

29. Moved and agreed that the Committee on Arrangements make their report as follows:

make their report as follows: (1)Brother Mike Bunch; (2) Debro Bunch; (3) Elder Baker.

30. Moved that the report be received.

31. Moved and agreed the Association letter be called for.

32. Moved and agreed roll of delegates be called; all present.

33. Moved and agreed to take up unfinished business.

34. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit our corresponding Associations. It was moved and agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Contentnea: Elder J. H. Dickens, 1958.

Cooper's Grove: Elder Joe W. Dickens, 1959.

Bethlehem: Elder General Dickens, 1959.

Radicue: Elder Joe W. Dickens, 1959.

Union Line: Elder John Charles, 1959.

Corresponding: Elder J. H.Dickens, 1959.

Loving: Elder Joe W. Dickens, 1959.

35. Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 copies of these Minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

36. Moved and agreed that the Association take up collection:

Received from churches	$ 75.00	
Penny collection	77.16	
Old Treasury	17.15	$169.31
Expenses of the Association	$ 70.00	
Balance in the Treasury	99.31	$169.31

37. Moved and agreed that the finance report be received.

38. Moved and agreed that the Rules of Decorum and the Church Government and Abstract of Principles be printed in the Minutes for 1958.

39. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of the Association.

40. Moved and agreed that the Association adjourn until 1959 by the Moderator singing hymn 530. Benediction by Elder Charlie Powell.

ELDERJ. H. DICKENS, Moderator
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PREACHING SERVICE

Friday Evening—Elder John Charles sang hymn 200, prayer was led by Brother Jack Sherrod. Elder Charles read for the evening lesson the first chapter of John. Brother Mack Bunch sang hymn 356 and preached from John 15. Elder Joe W. Dickens preached from John 15. Elder Frank Bell sang hymn 353 and preached from John 14. Elder John Charles sang hymn 3 and closed. Benediction by Elder Joe W. Dickens.

SaturdayMorning—Brother Bunch opened by singing hymn 353 and led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson John 14. Brother Mack Bunch preached from John. Brother Debro Bunch sang hymn 531 and preached from Isa. 40. Elder Melton sang hymn 76 and preached from John 3. Elder Joe Taylor sang hymn 200 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder John Charles preached from Gen. Brother Willie Staton sang hymn 530 and closed.

Saturday evening—Opened by singing hymn 530. Prayer was led by Brother August Chadwick. Elder Willie Bullock sang hymn 76 and preached from Gen. 2. Elder John Pitt preached from Gen. 1. Elder Willie Carney preached from John 15. Elder Levi Hill sang hymn 356 and preached from Matt. 3. Elder John Charles spoke some encouraging words, and sang hymn 284 for closing. Benediction by Elder Joe W. Dickens.

Saturday Night—Brother August Chadwick opened by singing hymn 38 and offered prayer. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 507. Elder Willie Bullock read for the evening lesson Rom. 9. Elder General Dickens preached from John 15. Elder Willie Bullock preached from 2 Cor. 15. Elder J. H. Dickens preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Joe W. Dickens preached from Luke 15. Elder Willie Carney preached from no special text. The Moderator closed by singing hymn 582. Benediction by Elder Willie Bullock.

Sunday Morning—Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 490. Prayer was led by Brother George Battle.

Elder J. H. Dickens read for the morning lesson Heb. 10. Elder Irwin Moore preached from no special text. Elder David Bullock preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Charlie Powell sang hymn 415 and preached from Gen. 6:16. Elder Johnnie Pitt preached from John 15. Elder Joe Taylor sang hymn 144 and preached from John 14. Elder Woodward preached, sang hymn 433 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Hubert Alston preached from John 11. Eld. John Charles gave some encouraging remarks. Brother Willie Staton sang hymn 298 for closing. Benediction by Elder Charlie Powell.

Report in 5 minutes

CIRCULAR LETTER

This is the eleventh annual session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association, held with the Long Branch Church in Edgecombe County, N. C., beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1958.

Dear Brethren:—The Lord has blessed us to meet from north, south, east and west. We are thankful to our heavenly Father for preserving our lives. Oh, how good it is for brethren to dwell together in peace. God has commanded us to stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free. Let us serve God with godly fear and pray that the word of God may have its free course and all we do be done in the glory of God.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To whom it may concern: The beginning of the Eleventh Annual Session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptists Association has fiilled our hearts with gladness. We are glad to express our heartfelt thanks to God who rules both time and seasons, heaven and earth. Since meeting together in our annual session many of our friends have gone to their long awatited home and to us who have been spared the journey we mourn them. So brethren let us try to keep our hearts employed in the wonderful work of the Lord and the shortness of time and the length of eternity knowing the time that knows us now will know us no more.

Brethren remember us in your prayers that the chief Shepherd will cause our correspondence to continue until travelling days are done. ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't. Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIC KNIGHT, Clerk

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Elder J. H. Dickens, R. F. D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder Joe Willis Dickens, Rt. 2, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder General Dickens, Rt. 1, Tarboro, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Brother Tom Lloyd, Bethel, N. C.

DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Bro. Mack Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. George Wimberly, R.F.D. 4, Greenville, N. C.
Bro. Austin Higgs, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Bro. Jonah Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Brother Jack Sherrod, Hobgood, N. C.
Bro. James D. Dickens, R.F.D. 2, Tarboro, N. C .
Bro. James Harrell, Tarboro, N. C.

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HELD WITH

LOGSBORO CHURCH

EDGECOMB COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY
IN OCTOBER,

1959

Next session of this Association convenes with the Tar River Chapel Church in Tarboro, North Carolina, Friday before the third Sunday, October, 9160.

— OFFICERS —

ELDER J. H. DICKENS ..... Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES ..... Assistant Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT ..... Clerk

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FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, October 16, 1959

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 141; prayer was led by Brother Willie Station, Elder J. H. Dickins who was chosen to preach the introductotry sermon, sang hymn 364 and read for the morning lesson John 1:1 and preached.

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6. Moved and agreed that the delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take part in our conference.
7. Moved and agreed that the visiting brothers and sisters be invited to sit with us and feel at home.
8. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called Long Branch, Leggets Chapel, Logsboro, Tar River Chapel, Little Mount Zion; all present.

9. Moved and agreed that a door be opened for receiving new churches: none came.

10. Moved and agreed that a committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching during the session. They were as follows: Elder John Charles, Elder Joe W. Dickins, Brother James D. Dickins. The committee reported as follows: 1, Elder Joe W. Dickens; 2, Elder Woodward; 3, Elder W. M. Weaver.

11. Moved and agreed that the report of the committee be received.

12. Moved and agreed that Elder Joe W. Dickins record the preacher's texts during the session.

13. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the sister associations with whom we correspond now make their report. Elder G. W. Thorpe came forward from the Radicue Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

14. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the Radicue Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand. Elder Cecil Alston came forward from the Cooper's Grove Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

15. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the Coopers' Grove Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate. Elder Oswald Keys Keys came forth from the Union Line Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Union Line be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate. Brother Augusta Chadwick came forth from the Loving Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

17. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate Elder Alex Jones came forth from Bethlehem Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Bethlehem

Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder B. B. Exum came forth from the Corresponding Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

19. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Corresponding Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Lawrence Reid came forth from the Contentnea Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

20. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Contentnea Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

21. Moved and agreed that the Corresponding Letter be called for and printed in the 1959 minutes.

22. Moved and agreed that the petitionary letters be called for: none received.

23. Moved and agreed that we will see where the next session of our association will meet. The Long Branch Association will convene with the Tar River Chapel Church in Tarboro, N. C., beginning, Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1960.

24. Moved and agreed that Elder John Charles preach the introductory sermon and Elder J. H. Dickins preach the alternate.

25. Moved and agreed that the Long Branch Conference adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock.

ELDER J. H. DICKINS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't.
BRO. TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association was called to order by Brother George Wimberly by singing hymn 355; prayer was led by Brother Jonah Knight. The Moderator announced the Association open for business.

26. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called. All present.

27. Moved and agreed that Friday evening session be read and approved.

28. Moved and agreed that Friday evening session be received and all errors corrected.

29. Moved and agreed that the committee on arrangement make their report as follows: 1, Elder Frank Bell; 2, Elder Willie Bullock; 3, Elder Dossie Battle.

30. Moved and agreed that the report be received.

31. Moved and agreed the Association letter be called for.

32. Moved and agreed the roll of delegates be called: all present.

33. Moved and agreed to take up unfinished business.

34. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit our corresponding associations. It was moved and agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Contentnea: Elder John Charles, 1959.

Coopers Grove: Elder J. H. Dickins, 1960.

Bethlehem: Elder Joe W. Dickins, 1960.

Radicue: Elder General Dickins, 1960.

Loving: Elder John Charles, 1960.

Union Line: Elder Joe W. Dickins, 1960.

Corresponding: Elder J. H. Dickins, 1960.

35. Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 copies of these minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

36. Moved and agreed that the Association take up collection.

Received from churches	$ 75.00	
Penny Collection	64.72	
In Old Treasury	29.25	$168.97
Expenses of the Association	$ 90.50	
Balance in Treasury	$ 78.47	

37. Moved and agreed that the finance report be received.

38. Moved and agreed that the Rules of Decorum and the Church Government and Abstract of Principles be printed in the minutes for 1959.

39. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of the association.

40. Moved and agreed that the Association adjourn until 1960 by singing hymn 393. Benediction by the Moderator.

ELDER J. H. DICKINS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't.
BRO. TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

PREACHING SERVICE

Friday Night: Brother Mack Dickins opened by singing hymn 345; prayer was led by Brother Jonah Knight. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson St. John 14. Elder General Dickins arose and preached from St. John 15. Elder James H. Dickins preached no special text. Elder Ben Cherry preached a wonderful sermon. Benediction by Elder J. H. Dickins.

Saturday Evening: Bro. George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 353. Bro. Augusta Chadwick led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson John 14. Elder Frank Bell sang hymn 3 and preached from John 14. Elder David Bullock sang hymn 393 and preached from John 11. Elder Dorsey Battle preached from John 1. Elder Levy Edwards preached from John 1. Elder John Charles spoke a few encouraging words. Elder J. H. Dickins arose and bore witness to what had been said and closed by singing hymn 275. Benediction by Elder Cecil Alston.

Saturday Night: Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 689. Brother Johnnie Wooders led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson Gen. 7. Elder Alex Jones preaced from Psalms. Elder Simon Short sang hymn 161 and preached from Isa. 6. Elder Jim Woodward sang hymn 198 and preached from Psalms. Elder Willie Carney preached from Matt. 16. Eld. Oswald Keys sang hymn 18 and preached from Psalms. Elder John Charles preached from Gen. 7. Elder J. H. Dickens arose and gave some encouraging remarks and closed by singing hymn 626. Benediction by Elder John Charles.

Sunday Morning: Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 533. Brother James Jones led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson Gen. 7. Elder Alex Jones

sang symn 440 and preached from John 5:5. Elder B. B. Exum preached from Acts 5. Elder J. H. Dickins preached from John 15:1. Elder Lawrence Reid sang hymn 128 and preached from Tim. 2:1. Elder Warren Cooper preached from Daniel. Elder Oswald Keys sang hymn 364 and preached from Rev. 1:2. Elder C. L. Alston sang hymn 490 and preached from John 3:19. Elder John Charles gave some encouraging remarks. Brother Willie Station sang the closing hymn. Benediction by Elder John Charles.

CIRCULAR LETTER

This is the twelfth annual session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association, held with the Logsboro Church in Edgecombe County, N. C., beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1959.

Dear Brethren:—The Lord has blessed us to meet from north, south, east and west. We are thankful to our heavenly Father for preserving our lives. Oh, how good it is for brethren to dwell together in peace. God has commanded us to stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free. Let us serve God with godly fear and pray that the word of God may have its free course and all we do be done in the glory of God.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To whom it may concern:

Dear Brethren in Christ:—I do thank God for the many blessings that He has bestowed on all of us. We have been wonderfully blessed to meet in another annual association to give thanks and pray to the Almighty God of heaven, trusting our correspondence will continue as long as time shall last.

Let us not forget to pray for one another when we are apart.

Come to see us any time you can. Finally, good-by until we meet again.

GEORGE WIMBERLEY

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder J. H. Dickens, R. F. D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder Joe Willis Dickens, Rt. 2, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder General Dickens, Rt. 1, Tarboro, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Brother Tom Lloyd, Bethel, N. C.

DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Bro. Mack Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. George Wimberly, R.F.D. 4, Greenville, N. C.
Bro. Austin Higgs, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Bro. Jonah Knight, Tarhoro, N. C.
Brother Jack Sherrod, Hobgood, N. C.
Bro. James D. Dickens, R.F.D. 2, Tarboro, N. C .
Bro. James Harrell, Tarboro, N. C.

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Logsboro—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Leggett's Chapel—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Tar River Chapel—Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Little Mount Zion—Elder J. H. Dickens, Rt. 1, Tarboro, N. C.

CHURCHES AND THEIR DEACONS

Long Branch—Brother George Wimberly.
Logsboro—Bro. Mack Dickens and James D. Dickens
Leggett Chapel—Bros. Austin Higgs and George Wimberly
Tar River Chapel—Bro. Jonah Knight
Little Mount Zion—Brother Jack Sherrod

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Sister Dora Harrell.
Logsboro—Brother Travis Knight, Rt. 2, Tarboro, N. C.
Leggett's Chapel—Sister Rolester Wimberly Greenville N.C.
Tar River—Sister Mary E. Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Little Mount Zion—Bro. Travis Knight, Tarboro, N. C.

SABBATH MEETING DAYS

Long Branch—Third Sunday and Saturday before.
Logsboro—Fourth Sunday and Saturday before.
Leggett's Chapel—First Sunday and Saturday before.
Tar River Chapel—First Sunday and Saturday before.
Little Mount Zion—Third Sunday and Saturday before.

QUARTERLY MEETING DAYS

Long Branch—February, May, August, November.
Logsboro—February, May, August, November.
Leggett Chapel—February, May, August, November.
Tar River Chapel—March, June, September, December.
Little Mount Zion—February, May, August, November.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each church agrees to hold conferences once a month.
2. The Moderator and Clerk should be chosen by the majority of the delegates present.
3. Conference shall be opened by praise or prayer.
4. The door of the church shall be opened for reception of members of fellowship.
5. The state and standing of the church shall be inquired into.
6. No member shall leave the conference without permission of the Moderator.
7. The minority shall submit to the majority in all cases except receiving members to fellowship and to office. This shall be unanimous.
8. Any business brought up in the church shall be read three times before acted upon.
9. We agree that if any member shall violate these rules, such members will be dealt with according to the gospel order.
10. We agree to commune four times a year when all is well.
11. We agree to wash feet four times a year at each church.
12. No member shall have any right to contract any business of the church without the liberty to do so.
13. If any member of the church becomes dissatisfied with the rules of the church they shall be excluded from fellowship until they can give satisfaction and then be restored.
14. If any member shall wilfully absent himself from communion, he shall make his reason known to the church.
15. If any member violates any of these he shall be brought to trial. He must be tried by his own church.
16. If any minister, deacon, or clerk transgresses these rules, the church shall have power to call help from other churches to aid in settling it.
17. We agree not to commune with any persons unless they are baptized in our faith and order.
18. We agree to commune with predestinarian Baptists who are in good standing.
19. If any member sees another transgressing the rules of the church and does not bring it to the church after applying the 18th Chapter of Matthew, they are liable to be tried before the church themselves. Each church shall have a Moderator and be governed by the voice of the members.
20. No exhorting minister shall be admitted to the stand only by preaching his Trial Sermon in a union or association.
21. No ordination shall be done only in union or in association.
22. No traffic or trade shall be carried on within 150 yards of the church grounds.
23. No minister or member shall have a right to carry any of the corresponding association property to any other association.
24. No members who have been withdrawn from fellowship will be allowed to come into the Association. He first shall get the right of his home church. The Long Branch Association was organized July 31st, 1948, by the corresponding association and the assistance of the Bethlehem and Radicue Associations.

On August 23, 1948, the Board of Brethren met at Johnson Chapel Church in reorganizing council with the corresponding brethren and the Long Branch brethren. First Brother Deacon Joyner sang hymn 533 and offered prayer. Then, on motion, agreed that Elder B. B. Exum be Moderator of Council. The house was announced in order for

business. On motion it was agreed that Elder S. T. Woodard be chosen for clerk. On motion, it was agreed that visiting brethren and messengers take a seat with us and feel themselves at home.

Next, Brother Deacon Wimberly came forth and explained how the organizing of the Long Branch Association was carried out. Next, Elder B. B. Exum came forth and explained what this called meeting was for. Next, Elder W. J. Moore and Elder J. H. Winstead came forth to talk on the meeting. On motion that minutes of the previous meeting be read, it was granted. On motion agreed that Elder B. B. Exum come forth and confess his error and beg the conference to forgive him. On motion, agreed that it be granted. On motion agreed that the Long Branch brethren be left in care of the corresponding association until their session meeting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1948. On motion that the Long Branch brethren be in full fellowship with our corresponding churches wherever they be.

On motion, agreed that the clerk will take these minutes home and straighten them out as best he can and mail them to the different brethren.

It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing hymn 507.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't. Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by reputed righteousness in Christ.

5. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

6. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.

7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.

8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper, and washing of the saints' feet are ordinances and the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of righteous shall be eternal.

10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper, except such as are regularly ordained presbytery.

ELDER JAMES H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't. Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAMES OF CHURCH MESSENGERS	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Restored to Fel.	Conf. of faith	Total Membership	Contribution
Long Branch	Brother James Sharp, Elder Joe Dickins	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	11	15.00
Logsboro	Brother James Dickins	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	15.00
Leggetts Chapel	Brother Austin Higgs	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	15.00
Tar River Chapel	Brother Jonah Knight	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	12	15.00
Little Mount Zion	Brother Jack Sherrod	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	13	15.00

Proceedings

OF THE TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE LONG BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, HELD WITH THE LOGSBORO CHURCH, EDGECOMB COUNTY, N. C., FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1959.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, October 16, 1959

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 141; prayer was led by Brother Willie Station, Elder J. H. Dickins who was chosen to preach the introductotry sermon, sang hymn 364 and read for the morning lesson John 1:1 and preached.

Elder John Charles who was chosen to preach the alternate sermon sang hymn 3 and preached from John 14. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 355. Benediction by Elder B. B. Exum. Closed for one hour.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 353; prayer was led by Brother George Battle. The Moderator announced the house open for business.

1. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickins be our Moderator for the next twelve months.
2. Moved and agreed that Brother Travis Knight be the association Clerk for the next twelve months.
3. Moved and agreed that Brother George Wimberly be our mouth speaker for the next twelve months.
4. Moved and agreed Brother Mack Dickins be the association treasurer for the next twelve months.
5. Moved and agreed that all other committees remain the same.
6. Moved and agreed that the delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take part in our conference.
7. Moved and agreed that the visiting brothers and sisters be invited to sit with us and feel at home.
8. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called Long Branch, Leggets Chapel, Logsboro, Tar River Chapel, Little Mount Zion; all present.

9. Moved and agreed that a door be opened for receiving new churches: none came.

10. Moved and agreed that a committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching during the session. They were as follows: Elder John Charles, Elder Joe W. Dickins, Brother James D. Dickins. The committee reported as follows: 1, Elder Joe W. Dickens; 2, Elder Woodward; 3, Elder W. M. Weaver.

11. Moved and agreed that the report of the committee be received.

12. Moved and agreed that Elder Joe W. Dickins record the preacher's texts during the session.

13. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the sister associations with whom we correspond now make their report. Elder G. W. Thorpe came forward from the Radicue Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

14. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the Radicue Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand. Elder Cecil Alston came forward from the Cooper's Grove Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

15. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the Coopers' Grove Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate. Elder Oswald Keys Keys came forth from the Union Line Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Union Line be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate. Brother Augusta Chadwick came forth from the Loving Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

17. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate Elder Alex Jones came forth from Bethlehem Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Bethlehem

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We are glad to meet you again in another annual session.

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Ordained Ministers .....Licensed Ministers .....

Done by order of the church ....., 195.....
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Clerk .....

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All churches are requested to use this blank for in writing to the Association.

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Minutes

OF THE

Thirteenth
Annual Session

OF THE

Long Branch
Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Tar River Chapel Church

EDGECOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FRIDAY BEFORE THIRD SUNDAY IN OCTOBER

1960

Next session of this Association convenes with the Leggett Chapel Church in Leggetts, North Carolina. Come on highway 44 or 97.

— OFFICERS —

ELDER J. H. DICKENS ..... Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES ..... Assistant Moderator
ELDER JOE W. DICKENS ..... Clerk

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Proceedings

OF THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE LONG BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, HELD WITH THE TAR RIVER CHURCH, EDGECOMBE COUNTY, N. C., FRIDAY BEFORE THIRD SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1960.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 141. Elder Daniel Staton led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson St. John 14. Elder John Charles, who was chosen to preach the Introductory sermon preached from the 14th chapter of St. John. Elder James H. Dickens who was chosen to preach the alternate sermon preached from St. John 2. Elder Daniel Staton sang for the closing hymn 147. Benediction by Elder Amos Humphrey.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 345. Prayer was offered by Elder Holt. The Moderator arose and announced the conference opened for business.

Moved and agreed Elder James H. Dickens be the Moderator of the Long Branch Association for the next twelve months.

2. Moved and agreed Elder Joe W. Dickens be the Clerk of the Long Branch Association for the next twelve months.

3. Moved and agreed Brother George Wimberly be the mouth speaker for the Long Branch Association for the next twelve months.

4. Moved that Brother Mack Dickens be the treasurer of the Long Branch Association for the next twelve months. Brother Mack arose, asking the Association to relieve him of the office of treasurer, that his eye-sight was failing him very badly. and also his mind and he didn't have a helpmate any longer to help him remember where he put things. The Brethren looked into the matter and had mercy on brother Mack and relieved him as Treasurer. Brother Mack arose and thanked the Association.

5. Moved and agreed Brother James Sharpe be the Treasurer of the Long Branch Association for the next twelve months.

6. Moved and agreed all other committees remain the same.

7. Moved and agreed that the delegates and messengers be

invited to sit with us and take part in our conference.

8. Moved and agreed that the visiting brothers and sisters be invited to sit with us and feel themselves at home.

9. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called.

Long Branch, Leggett Chapel, Logsboro, Tar River Chapel, and Little Mount Zion. All present.

10. Moved and agreed that a door be opened for receiving new churches. None came.

11. Moved and agreed that a committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching from day to day. The committee as follows: Elder John Charles, Brother James D. Dickens and Brother Jonah Knight.

12. Moved and agreed Brother Jonah Knight go to the stand and record the preachers' texts from day to day.

13. Moved and agreed that the sister associations with whom we correspond make their report. Elder Miles Wooten from the Radicue Association came forward with a file of minutes, reporting peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

14. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Radicue Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

15. Elder Benjamin Cherry from the Bethlehem Association came forward with a file of minutes reportnig peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Bethlehem Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

17. Elder Sandy Brown from the Corresponding Association came forward with a file of minutes, reporting peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Corresponding Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

19. Elder David Bullock from the Union Line Association came forward with a file of minutes, reporting peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

20. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Union Line Association be received by the Moderator extending the right

hand of fellowship to the delegate.

21. Elder Holt from the Contentnea Association came forward with a file of minutes reporting peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

22. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Contentnea Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

23. Elder Moore from the Coopers Grove Associoation came forward with a file of minutes reporting peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

24. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Coopers Grove Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

25. Elder Amos Humphrey from the Loving Association came forward with a file of minutes, reporting peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

26. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

27. Moved and agreed the Corresponding letter be called for and printed in the 1960 minutes.

28. Moved and agreed that the petitionary letters be called for. None received.

29. Moved and agreed we will see where the next session of the Long Branch Association will set.

The Long Branch Association will set at Leggetts Chapel Church, Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1961.

30. Moved and agreed Elder Joe W. Dickens preach the Introductory sermon. Elder John Charles preach the alternate sermon.

31. Moved and agreed that the Long Branch Association conference adjourn until tomorrow morning, 10:00 o'clock.

Elder James H. Dickens, Moderator
Elder John Charles, Ass't Moderator
Elder Joe W. Dickens, Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

32. The Long Branch Association conference was called to order by Brother George Wimberly, singing hymn 353. Elder Holt from the Contentnea Association led in prayer. The Moderator arose and announced the conference opened for business.

33. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called. All present.

34. Moved and agreed that the minutes of Friday evening session be read and approved.

35. Moved and agreed that Friday evening session be received and all errors corrected.

36. Elder Wade from the Mount Zion Association arose and said he had come to visit us. He had been planning to come for a long time and had gotten a chance by staying over from another Association. We are always glad to have visitors. Brethren, it is good to live so some one will want to visit you.

37. Moved and agreed that the Committee on Arrangements make their report as follows. (1) Elder General Dickens, (2) Elder Charlie Bullock, (3) Elder John Wade.

38. Moved and agreed that the report be received.

39. Moved and agreed the Association letter be called for.

40. Moved and agreed that the roll of delegates be called. All present.

41. Moved and agreed to take up unfinished business.

42. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit our sister associations. Moved and agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Contentnea: Elder James H. Dickens, 1960.
Bethlehem: Elder John Charles, 1961.
Coopers Grove: Elder Joe W. Dickens, 1961.
Union Line: Brother George Wimberly, 1961.
Corresponding: Elder General Dickens, 1961.
Radicue: Elder Joe W. Dickens, 1961.
Loving: Elder James H. Dickens, 1961.

43. Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 copies of these minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

44. Moved and agreed that the Association take up collection.

Received from churches	$ 75.00	
Penny Collection	97.37	
Old Treasury	4.47	$176.84

Expenses of the Association	$103.63
Balance in Treasury	$ 73.21

45. Moved and agreed that the Finance report be received.

46. Moved and agreed that the Rules of Decorum, Church Government and Abstraet of Principles be printed in the minutes for 1960.

47. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of the Association.

48. Moved and agreed that the Association adjourn until 1961 by the Moderator singing hymn 397. Benedietion by Elder Worsley.

Elder James H. Dickens, Moderator
Elder John Charles, Ass't Moderator
Elder Joe W. Dickens, Clerk

PREACHING SERVICES

Friday Night—Brother Jonah Knight opened by singing hymn 200. Prayer was led by Brother James Horrell. Elder John Charles read for the scripture lesson St. John 15. Elder General Dickens preached from the same chapter. Elder Miles Wooten from the Radicue Association arose and sang hymn 382 and preached from the 12th chapter of St. John. Elder Willie Bullock from the Radicue Association preached from Gen. 49. Elder John Wade, a visitor from the Mount Zion Association preached from St. John 14:12. Elder John Charles sang for the closing hymn 507. Benedietion by Elder James H. Dickens.

Saturday Morning—Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 141. Elder Holt from the Contentnea Association led in prayer. Elder John Charles read the scripture lesson from St. John 14. Elder General Dickens preached from John 14. Elder Charlie Bullock preached from the same text. Elder Simon Short from the Corresponding Association preached a

wonderful sermon. Elder John Wade, a visitor from the Mount Zion Association arose, sang hymn 188 and preached from Deut. 17:4. Closed for one hour by the Moderator singing hymn 530.

Saturday Evening—Elder John Charles opened by singing hymn 3. Prayer was led by Elder Benjamin Cherry from the Bethlehem Association. Elder Irvin Moore from the Coopers Grove Association preached from John 14. Elder David Bullock from the Union Association arose and preached from Psa. 129. Elder Sandy Brown arose, sang hymn 3 and preached wonderfully. Elder Amos Humphrey from the Loving Association arose and preached from St. Matthew 5. Closed for the evening. Benediction by Elder General Dickens.

Saturday Night—Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 530. Prayer was led by Elder Willie Broswell from the Bethlehem Association. Elder John Charles read for the scripture lesson John 15. Elder Benjamin Cherry arose and sang hymn 355 and preached wonderfully. Subject: I am that I am. Elder Earl Holt arose and preached wonderfully from the same subject. Elder Worsley arose and sang hymn 492 and preached with the Spirit. Elder Willie Broswell arose, sang hymn 141 and preached from John 15. Elder Amos Humphrey arose and preached wonderfully. Closing hymn, Elder James H. Dickens, 507.

Sunday Morning—Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 141. Prayer was led by Elder W. B. Enoch from the Coopers Grove Association. Elder John Charles read for the scripture lesson John 14. Elder Hold sang hymn 364 and preached wonderfully. Elder Irvin Moore from the Coopers Grove Association arose and preached from John 1. Elder David Bullock arose and sang hymn 689 and preached from Psa. 90. Elder Miles Wooten arose, sang hymn 56 and chose for a text John 18:1. Elder Sandy Brown arose and sang hymn 38 and preached from John 1:1. Elder Benjamin Cherry arose and preached wonderfully. Elder Amos Humphrey arose and preached from John 9. Elder Johnny Morning arose and sang hymn 188. His subject: The Lord is able. Elder Hubert Alston from the Coopers Grove Association arose and preached from

John 11 and he preached wonderfully and with the Spirit. Our souls were set on fire and we will long remember this Association. Elder Robert Revis arose and sang hymn 680 and closed. Benediction by Elder Robert Revis.

Elder James H. Dickens, Moderator
Elder John Charles, Ass't Moderator
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CIRCULAR LETTER

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Dear Brethren: The Lord has blessed us to meet from the north, south, east and west. We are thankful to our heavenly Father for preserving our lives. Oh how good it is for brethren to dwell together in peace. God has commanded us to stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free. Let us serve God with godly fear and pray that the word of God may have its free course and all we do be done to the glory of God.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To whom it may concern:

Dear Brethren in Christ: I do thank God for the many blessings that He has bestowed on all of us. We have been wonderfully blessed to meet in another annual association to give thanks and pray to the Almighty God of heaven, trusting our correspondence will continue as long as time shall last.

Let us not forget to pray for one another when we are apart. Come to see us any time you can. Finally, good-bye until we meet again.

Elder James H. Dickens, Moderator
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23. No minister or member shall have a right to carry any of the corresponding association property to any other association.
24. No members who have been withdrawn from fellowship will be allowed to come into the Association. He first shall get the right of his home church. The Long Branch Association was organized July 31st, 1948, by the corresponding association and the assistance of the Bethlehem and Radicue Associations.

On August 23, 1948, the Board of Brethren met at Johnson Chapel Church in reorganizing council with the corresponding brethren and the Long Branch brethren. First Brother Deacon Joyner sang hymn 533 and offered prayer. Then, on motion, agreed that Elder B. B. Exum be Moderator of Council. The house was announced in order for

business. On motion it was agreed that Elder S. T. Woodard be chosen for clerk. On motion, it was agreed that visiting brethren and messengers take a seat with us and feel themselves at home.

Next, Brother Deacon Wimberly came forth and explained how the organizing of the Long Branch Association was carried out. Next, Elder B. B. Exum came forth and explained what this called meeting was for. Next, Elder W. J. Moore and Elder J. H. Winstead came forth to talk on the meeting. On motion that minutes of the previous meeting be read, it was granted. On motion agreed that Elder B. B. Exum come forth and confess his error and beg the conference to forgive him. On motion, agreed that it be granted. On motion agreed that the Long Branch brethren be left in care of the corresponding association until their session meeting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1948. On motion that the Long Branch brethren be in full fellowship with our corresponding churches wherever they be.

On motion, agreed that the clerk will take these minutes home and straighten them out as best he can and mail them to the different brethren.

It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing hymn 507.

ELDER JAMES H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't Moderator
ELDER JOE W. DICKENS, Clerk

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by reputed righteousness in Christ.

5. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

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7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.

8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper, and washing of the saints' feet are ordinances and the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of righteous shall be eternal.

10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper, except such as are regularly ordained presbytery.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOE W. DICKENS, Clerk

LONG BRANCH—Messengers, Brother James Sharpe and Elder Joe W. Dickens. Rec'd by Baptism, none. Rec'd by letter, none. Dismissed by letter, none. Excluded, none. Deceased, 1. Restored to fellowship, none. Conf. of faith, none. Total membership, 10. Contribution, $15.00.

LOGSBORO—Messenger, Brother James D. Dickens. Rec'd by baptism, none. Rec'd by letter, none. Dismissed by letter, none. Excluded, none. Deceased, 1. Restored, none. Conf. of faith, none. Total membership, 5. Contribution, $15.00.

LEGGETTS CHAPEL—Messenger, Brother Austin Higgs. Rec'd by Baptism, none. Rec'd by letter, none. Dismissed by letter, none. Excluded, none. Deceased, none. Restored to fellowship, none. Conf. of faith, none. Total membership, 5. Contribution, $15.00.

TAR RIVER CHAPEL—Messenger, Brother Jonah Knight. Rec'd by baptism, none. Rec'd by letter, none. Dismissed by letter, none. Excluded, none. Deceased, 1. Restored to fellowship, none. Conf. of faith, none. Total membership, 14. Contribution, $15.00.

LITTLE MOUNT ZION—Messenger, Brother Jack Sherrod. Rec'd by baptism, none. Rec'd by letter, none. Dismissed by letter, 1. Excluded, none. Restored to fellowship, none. Deceased, 1. Conf. of faith, none. Total membership, 13. Contribution, $15.00.

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Minutes

OF THE

Fourteenth

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OF THE

Long Branch

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Leggetts Chapel Church

EDGECOME COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY

IN OCTOBER,

1961

Next session of this association convenes with Long Branch Church in Speeds, Edgecombe County, N. C., beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1962.

OFFICERS

ELDER J. H. DICKENS ..... Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES ..... Assistant Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT ..... Clerk

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Proceedings

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FRIDAY MORNING SESSION—October 13, 1961

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 141. Brother George Dickens led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson St. John 14. Elder Joe W. Dickens who was chosen to preach the introductory sermon preached from St. John 10. Elder John Charles who was chosen to preach the alternate sermon preached from John 10. Elder J. H. Dickens arose and preached wonderfully and closed by singing hymn 582. Benediction by Elder Amos Humphery. Closed for one hour.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Elder John Charles read for the scripture lesson St. John 14. Elder Joe W. Dickens sang hymn 76 and Elder Elvis Hill led in prayer. Elder J. H. Dickens announced the house in order for business.

1. Moved and agreed the delegates retire and choose the Moderator. It pleased the minds of the delegates to choose Elder J. H. Dickens for the Moderator for the next twelve months.

2. Moved and agreed the delegates be received and discharged.

3. Moved and agreed that Brother Travis Knight be the association Clerk for the next twelves months.

4. Moved and agreed that Brother James Sharp be the Association Treasurer for the next twelve months.

5. Moved and agreed that Brother George Wimberly be the mouth speaker for the association for the next twelves months.

6. Moved and agreed that all other committees remain the same.

7. Moved and agreed that the delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take part in conference.

8. Moved and agreed that the visiting brothers and sisters be invited to sit with us and feel themselves at home.

9. Moved and agreed the list of churches be called: Long

Branch, Leggetts Chapel, Tar River Chapel, Logsboro, Little Mount Zion, all present.

10. Moved and agreed that a door be opened to receive new churches. None came forth.

11. Moved and agreed that a committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching during this session. They were as follows. Elder John Charles, Brother Jonah Knight, Brother James D. Dickens. The committee report as follows: 1, Elder General Dickens; 2, Elder Elvis Hill; 3, Elder Amos Humphery.

12. Moved and agreed that the report of the committees be received.

13. Moved and agreed that Brother Jonah Knight record the preachers' texts from day to day.

14. Moved and agreed that the delegates from our sister associations with whom we correspond now make their report.

Elder Mark Webb came forth from the Radicue Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

15. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the Radicue Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Elder Isaiah Perkins came forth from the Corresponding Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Corresponding Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Elvis Hill came forth from the Bethlehem Association with a file of minutes representing peace, love and desiring correspondence to continue.

17. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegate be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Dave Bullock came forth from the Union Line Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegates be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellow-

ship to the delegates. Elder Robert Revis came forth from the Contentnea Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

19. Moved and agreed that the report of the delgates be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Amos Humphery came forth from the Loving Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

20. Moved and agreed that the report of delegates from the Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Cecil Alston came forth from the Coopers Grove Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

21. Moved and agreed that the report of delegates from the Coopers Grove Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

22. Moved and agreed that the corresponding letter be called for and read.

23. Moved and agreed that the corresponding letter be received and printed in the minutes of 1961.

24. Moved and agreed that the petitionary letters be called for. None received.

25. Moved and agreed to see where the next session of our Association will meet. The next Long Branch Association will convene at Long Brang Church in Speeds in Edgcombe County, N. C.

26. Moved and agreed Elder J. H. Dickens preach the Introductory Sermon; Elder John Charles preach the alternate.

27. Moved and agreed that the Association conference adjourn until 9:00 o'clock tomorrow morning by singing hymn 505.

Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator
Elder John Charles, Ass't Moderator
Brother Travis Knight, Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association was called to order by Brother George Wimberly by singing hymn 288 and prayer was led by Elder Mark Webb. The Moderator announced the Association open for business.

28. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called. All present.

29. Moved and agreed that the minutes of Friday evening session be read and approved.

30. Moved and agreed that the minutes be received and all errors corrected.

31. Moved and agreed that the committee on arrangments make their report. Report as follows: 1, General Dickens; 2, Elder Joe W. Dickens; 3, Dave Bullock.

Moved and agreed the report of the committee be received.

32. Moved and agreed that the Association letters be called for.

34. Moved and agreed roll of delegates be called. All present.

35. Moved and agreed to take up unfinished business.

36. Moved and agreed to ordain Brother James Sharp tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock.

37. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit our corresponding associations. It was moved and agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Contentnea: Elder Joe W. Dickens, '61.

Coopers Grove: Elder General Dickins, '62.

Bethlehem: Elder J. H. Dickens, '62.

Radicue: Elder John Charles, '62.

Loving: Elder John Charles and Brother George Wimberly with him, '62.

Union Line: Elder Joe W. Dickens, '62.

Corresponding: Brother James D. Dickens, '62.

38. Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

39. Moved and agreed that the Association take up collections.

Received from churces	$ 75.00	
Penny collection	78.81	
Old Treasury	13.05	$166.86

Expenses of Association ---------- $ 91.94
Balance in Treasury ---------- 74.92

40. Moved and agreed that the Finance report be received.

41. Moved and agreed that the Rules of Decorum and the Church Government and Abstract of Principles be printed in the minutes of 1961.

42. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of the association.

43. Moved and agred that the Association adjourn until 1962 by the Moderator singing hymn 533. Benediction by Elder Warren Cooper.

Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator
Elder John Charles, Ass't Moderator
Brother Travis Knight, Clerk

PREACHING SERVICES

Friday Evening: Elder John Charles, opened by singing hymn 3. Brother Jonah Knight led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson Genesis 7. Elder General Dickens preached from St. John 14. Elder Elvis Hill arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Amos Humphery arose and preached from St. Luke 15. Elder John Charles arose and made a few encouraging remarks and closed.

Friday Night: Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 353. Prayer was led by Brother James Harrell. Brother George Dickens arose and made a wonderful talk. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson Genesis 7. Elder W. M. Weaver arose and preached from Psa. 150:6. Elrer P. H. Hill arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Amos Humphery sang hymn 689 and preached from St. John 9. Elder J. H. Dickens made a wonderful talk and closed.

Saturday Morning: Elder John Charles opened by singing hymn 345. Prayer was led by Brother Jonah Knight. Elder Charles read for the morning lesson St. John 1. Elder General Dickens preached from St. John 14. Elder David Bullock sang hymn 284 and preached from St. John 5. Elder Robert Revis sang hymn 176 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Elvis Hill arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder S. L. Woodards sang hymn 382 and preached from Daniel 2. Elder John Charles arose and made a few remarks and closed for one hour.

Saturday Evening: Brother George Wimberly opened by singing 141 and led in prayer by Elder John Charles. Read for the evening lesson St. John 14. Elder Isaiah Perkins preached from St. John 14. Elder Joe W. Dickins arose and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Warren Cooper snag hymn 482 and preached from Luke 2. Elder Amos Humphery sang hymn 506 and closed.

Saturday Night: Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn

353. Brother James Harrell led in prayer. Elder Sylvalia Worsley sang hymn 144 and preached from John 3. Elder Earl Holt sang hymn 688 and preached from St. John 1. Elder John Pitt sang hymn 200 and preached from St. John 1. Elder Matten arose and preached from Luke 12. Elder Cecil Alston sang hymn 200 and preached from David. Elder Sylvalia Worsley sang hymn 688 for closing. Benediction by Elder Amos Humphery.

Sunday Morning: After the ordination of Brother James Sharp, meeting was opened by Brother Moderator singing hymn 355. Elder Dave Bullock led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson Genesis 7. Brother Lucas sang hymn 353 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Elvis Hill sang hymn 3 and preached on three gates to the city. Elder Isaiah Perkins sang hymn 440. The Prodigal Son. Elder David Bullock sang hymn 141 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Cecil Alston sang hymn 356 and preached a wonderful sermon. Amos Humphery arose and preached from St. John 14. Elder Robert Revis sang hymn 393 and preached from Samuel 39. Elder Sylvalia Worsley sang hymn 689 for closing. Benediction by Elder J. H. Dickens.

Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator
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CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ I trust,—It was enjoined upon me to write a corresponding letter. So I will call your attention to Psalm 108, "O God, my heart is fixed and I will sing." So brethren, I hope that our friendly correspondence will continue till time be no more. Farewell.

—Long Branch Association

By Brother George Wimberly.

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16. If any minister, deacon, or clerk transgresses these rules, the church shall have power to call help from other churches to aid in settling it.

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On motion, agreed that the clerk will take these minutes home and straighten them out as best he can and mail them to the different brethren.

It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing hymn 507.

ELDER JAMES H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by reputed righteousness in Christ.

5. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

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7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.

8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper, and washing of the saints' feet are ordinances and the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

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ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

Minutes

OF THE

Fifteenth

Annual Session

OF THE

Long Branch

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Long Branch Church

EDGECOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY
IN OCTOBER

1962

Next session of this association convenes with the Logsboro Church near Leggetts, Edgecombe County, N. C. beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October 1963.

OFFICERS

ELDER J. H. DICKENS ..... Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES ..... Assistant Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT ..... Clerk

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Proceedings

OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE LONG BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, HELD WITH LONG BRANCH CHURCH, EDGECOMBE COUNTY, N. C., FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1962.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION—October 19, 1962

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 141. Elder S. L. Woodard led in prayer. Elder J. H. Dickins arose, sang hymn 582. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson St. John 1:1. Elder J. H. Dickens who was chosen to preach the introductory sermon preached from Luke 15. Elder John Charles who was chosen to preach the alternate sermon preached from St. John 14. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 507. Benediction by Elder Woodard. Closed for one hour.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 400. Brother Jonah Knight led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson St. John 14.

1. Moved and agreed that the association conference open for business.

2. Moved and agreed that the delegates retire and choose the Moderator. It pleased the minds of the delegates to choose Elder J. H. Dickens for the Moderator for the next twelve months.

3. Moved and agreed that the delegates be received and discharged.

4. Moved and agreed that Brother George Wimberly be our mouth speaker for the next twelve months.

5. Moved and agreed that all other officers remain the same.

6. Moved and agreed that the visiting delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take part in our conference.

7. Moved and agreed that the visiting brethren and sisters be invited to sit with us and feel at home.

8. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called: Long Branch, Leggetts Chapel, Logsboro, Tar River Chapel, Little Mount Zion. All present.

9. Moved and agreed that a door be open to receive new churches. None came forward.

10. Moved and agreed that a committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching during this session. They were as follows: Elder John Charles, Brother Jonah Knight, Brother James D. Dickens.

The committee report: 1. Elder Joe Dickens; 2. Elder Charlie Bullock; 3. Elder W. M. Weaver.

11. Moved and agreed that the report of the committee be received.

12. Moved and agreed that Brother Jonah Knight record the preachers' texts from day to day.

13. Moved and agreed that the delegates from our sister associations with whom we correspond with now make report.

Brother Fred Lucus came forth from the Radicue Association with a file of minutes, representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

14. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegates from the Radicue Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Johnnie Rodgers came forth from the Bethlehem Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

15. Moved and agreed that the delegate from the Bethlehem Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder S. L. Woodard came forth from the Contentnea Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegate from Contentnea Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder W. B. Enoch came forth from the Coopers Grove Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

17. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegate from the Coopers Grove Association be received by the Moderator extending the right of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Amos Humphry came forth from the Loving Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegate from the Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder B. B. Exum came forth from the Corresponding Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

19. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegate from the Corresponding Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Union Line Association not represented.

20. Moved and agreed that the corresponding letter be called for. None received.

21. Moved and agreed that the petitionary letter be called for. None received.

22. Moved and agreed that we will see where the next session of our Association will meet. The next Long Branch Association will convene at the Logsboro Church near Leggetts in Edgecombe County, N. C., beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1963.

23. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens preach the introductory sermon and Elder John Charles was chosen to preach the alternate.

24. Moved and agreed that the Long Branch Association conference adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock.

Elder J. H. Dickens closed by singing the third hymn.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't Mod.
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association was called to order by Brother Travis Knight by singing hymn 339. Elder W. B. Enoch led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson St. John 15.

The Moderator announced the Association open for business.

25. Moved and agreed that the list of churches be called. All

present.

26. Moved and agreed that Friday evening session be read and approved.

27. Moved and agreed that Friday evening session be received and all errors corrected.

28. Moved and agreed that the committee on arrangement now make their report as follows: 1. Brother Fred Lucus; 2. Elder Joe W. Dickens; 3. Elder Johnnie Rodgers.

29. Moved and agreed that the report of the committee be received.

30. Moved and agreed that the Association letters be called for.

31. Moved and agreed that the roll of delegates be called. All present except Union Line, not represented.

32. Moved and agreed to take up unfinished business.

33. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit our corresponding associations. It was agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Contentnea: Elder J. H. Dickens and Brother George Wimberly, 1962.

Coopers Grove: Elder John Charles and Brother James Sharp, 1963.

Radicue: Elder Joe W. Dickens, 1963.

Union Line: Elder J. H. Dickens and Brother George Wimberly, 1963.

Loving: Elder Joe W. Dickens and Brother George Wimberly, 1963.

Bethlehem: Elder John Charles, 1963.

Corresponding: Elder General Dickens, 1963.

34. Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 copies of these minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

35. Moved and agreed that the Association take up collections.

Received from churches	$75.00	
Penny collection	86.01	
In old treasury	3.86	$164.87

Expenses of the Association	$92.20
Balance in treasury	72.67

36. Moved and agreed that the Finance report be received.

37. Moved and agreed that the Rules of Decorum and the Church Government and Abstract of Principles be printed in the minutes of 1962.

38. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of the Association.

39. Moved and agreed that this Association adjourn until 1963 by singing hymn 505. Benediction by Elder B. B. Exum.

ELDER J. H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't Mod.
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

PREACHING SERVICE

Friday Night: Meeting was opened by Brother George Wimberly by singing hymn 353. Prayer by Brother James Harrell. Brother George Dickens made a wonderful talk. Elder John Charles read for evening lesson Gen. 7. Elder Amos Humphy sang hymn 506 and preached from St. John 9. Elder W. M. Weaver preached a wonderful sermon. Elder P. H. Hill preached the power of God. Elder J. H. Dickens spoke a few encouraging remarks. Elder Amos Humphrey closed by singing hymn 689.

Saturday Morning: Elder Joe W. Dickens opened by singing hymn 76. Brother Jonah Knight led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson Gen. 9. Brother Fred Lucus preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Johnnie Rodgers sangs hymn 656 and preached from Ezek. 38. Elder J. H. Morning sang hymn 289 and preached a wonderful sermon. Closed by singing hymn 689. Benediction by Elder John Charles.

Saturday Evening: Meeting was opened by singing hymn 533. Prayer was led by Elder Charlie Powell. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson Rev. 12. Elder General Dickens preached from St. John 15. Elder Isaiah Perkins preached from Luke 15. Elder Charlie Powell preached from Timothy 4. Elder J. H. Morning sang hymn 288 and preached a wonderful sermon. Closed by singing hymn 189. Benediction by A. H. Humphery.

Saturday Night: Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 288. Elder Earl Holt led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson St. John 14. Elder Sylvanus Worsley sang hymn 492 and preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Earl Holt preached with much power. Elder Willie Carney sang hymn 689 and preached from Isaiah 6. Closed by singing hymn 76. Benediction by Elder A. Humphery.

Sunday Morning: The Moderator opened by singing hymn 380. Elder Ernest Farmer led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson Genesis 7. Brother Fred Lucus sang 353 and preached St. John 15. Elder Johnnie Rodgers sang hymn 492 and preached St. John 15. Elder S. L. Woodard sang hymn 694 and preached Isaiah 2. Elder Hubert Alston preached from St. John 15. Elder W. B. Enoch preached from Jeremiah. Elder A. H. Humphery sang hymn 689 and

preached St. John 9. Elder B. B. Exum preached from Samuel 19:1. Elder John Charles made a few encouraging remarks. Elder Joe W. Dickens closed by singing hymn 3. Benediction by Elder S. L. Woodard.

Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator
Eld. John Charles, Ass't Moderator
Brother Travis Knight, Clerk

CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ I trust,—It was enjoined upon me to write a corresponding letter, so I will call your attention to Psalm 108, "O God, my heart is fixed and I will sing." So brethren, I hope that our friendly correspondence will continue till time be no more. Farewell.

—Long Branch Association

By Brother George Wimberly.

CIRCULAR LETTER

This is the fifteenth Annual Session of the Long Branch Primitive Baptist Association, held with Long Branch Church in Edgecombe County, N. C., beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1962.

Dear Brethren: The Lord has blessed us to meet from the north, south, east and west. We are thankful to our heavenly Father for preserving our lives. Oh how good it is for brethren to dwell together in peace. God has commanded us to stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free. Let us serve God with godly fear and pray that the word of God may have its free course and all we do be done to the glory of God.

STATISTICAL TABLE

LONG BRANCH: Delegate, Brother James Sharp. Elder Joe W. Dickens. Deceased, 1. Total membership, 9. Contribution, $15.00.

LOGSBORO: Delegate, Brother James D. Dickens. Total membership, 4. Contribution, $15.00.

LEGGETTS CHAPEL: Delegate, Brother Austin Higgs. Total membership, 4. Contribution, $15.00.

TAR RIVER CHAPEL: Delegate, Brother Jonah Knight. Total membership, 12. Contribution, $15.00.

LITTLE MOUNT ZION: Delegate, Brother Jack Sherrod. Total membership, 12. Contribution, $15.00.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder J. H. Dickens, R. F. D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder Joe W. Dickens, Rt. 2, Box 141A, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder General Dickens, Rt. 2, Box 18, Tarboro, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Brother Tom Lloyd, Bethel, N. C.

DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Brother Mack Dickens, Rt. 2, Box 18, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. George Wimberly, R.F.D. 4, Greenville, N. C.
Bro. Austin Higgs, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Bro. Jonah Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Brother Jack Sherrod, Hobgood, N. C.
Brother James D. Dickens, Rt. 1, Hobgood, N. C.
Bro. James Harrell, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. James Sharpe, Tarboro, N. C.

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Logsboro—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Leggett's Chapel—Elder J. H. Dickens, R.F.D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Tar River Chapel—Elder John Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Little Mount Zion—Elder J. H. Dickens, Rt. 1, Tarboro, N. C.

CHURCHES AND THEIR DEACONS

Long Branch—Brother George Wimberly.
Logsboro—Bro. Mack Dickens and James D. Dickens
Leggett Chapel—Bros. Austin Higgs and George Wimberly
Tar River Chapel—Bro. Jonah Knight
Little Mount Zion—Brother Jack Sherrod

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Sister Alice Peace, Tarboro, N. C.
Logsboro—Brother Travis Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Leggetts Chapel—Bro. George Wimberly, Greenville, N. C.
Tar River—Sister Mary E. Charles, Tarboro, N. C.
Little Mount Zion—Sister Alice Peace, Tarboro, N. C.

SABBATH MEETING DAYS

Long Branch—Third Sunday and Saturday before.
Logsboro—Fourth Sunday and Saturday before.
Leggett's Chapel—First Sunday and Saturday before.
Tar River Chapel—First Sunday and Saturday before.
Little Mount Zion—Second Sunday and Saturday before.

QUARTERLY MEETING DAYS

Long Branch—February, May, August, November.
Logsboro—February, May, August, November.
Leggett Chapel—February, May, August, November.
Tar River Chapel—March, June, September, December.
Little Mount Zion—February, May, August, November.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Each church agrees to hold conferences once a month.
2. The Moderator and Clerk should be chosen by the majority of the delegates present.
3. Conference shall be opened by praise or prayer.

4. The door of the church shall be opened for reception of members of fellowship.

5. The state and standing of the church shall be inquired into.

6. No member shall leave the conference without permission of the Moderator.

7. The minority shall submit to the majority in all cases except receiving members to fellowship and to office. This shall be unanimous.

8. Any business brought up in the church shall be read three times before acted upon.

9. We agree that if any member shall violate these rules, such members will be dealt with according to the gospel order.

10. We agree to commune four times a year when all is well.

11. We agree to wash feet four times a year at each church.

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On motion, agreed that the clerk will take these minutes home and straighten them out as best he can and mail them to the different brethren.

It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing hymn 507.

ELDER JAMES H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

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Minutes

OF THE

Sixteenth

Annual Session

OF THE

Long Branch

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Logsboro Church

EDGECOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY
IN OCTOBER

1963

Next session convenes with the Leggetts Chapel Church, located Leggetts, Edgecombe County, N. C., Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1964.

OFFICERS

ELDER J. H. DICKENS - Moderator, Rt. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
ELD. JOHN CHARLES - Ass't Moderator, Tarboro, N. C.
TRAVIS KNIGHT - Clerk, Rt. 1, Box 168, Tarboro, N. C.

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FRIDAY MORNING SESSION—October 18, 1963

Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 382. Brother James Sharp led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson St. John 1. Elder J. H. Dickens, who was chosen to preach the Introductory Sermon, arose and sang hymn 364 and preached a wonderful sermon.

Elder John Charles, who was chosen to preach the alternate sermon, sang hymn 3 and preached from Jonah 1. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 275 for closing. Benediction by Moderator. Closed for one hour.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Meeting was opened by Brother George Wimberly by singing hymn 355. Brother Harry Bullock led in prayer. Elder J. H. Dickens announced the house in order for business.

1. Moved and agreed that the delegates retire and choose the Moderator. It pleased the minds of the delegates to choose Elder J. H. Dickens to be the Moderator of this association for the next twelve months.

2. Moved and agreed that Brother James Sharp be our mouth speaker for next twelve months.

3. He chose Brother Jonah Knight his assistant.

4. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegates be received and discharged.

5. Moved and agreed that all other offices remain the same.

6. Moved and agreed that the delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and take part in our conference.

8. Moved and agreed roll of churches be called: Long Branch, Leggetts Chapel, Logsboro, Tar River Chapel, Little Mount Zion—all present.

9. Moved and agreed that a door be opened to receive new churches. None came forth.

10. Moved and agreed that a committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching during this session. They were Elder John Charles, Brother Jonah Knight, Brother James Dickens.

The committee report as follows: 1. Brother James D. Dickens; 2. Elder General Dickens; 3. Elder Daniel Station.

11. Moved and agreed that the report of the committee be received.

12. Moved and agreed that Elder Joe W. Dickens record the preachers' texts from day to day.

13. Moved and agreed that our delegates from sister associations with whom we correspond make their report.

Elder Willie Maryland came forth from Radicue Association representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue; also a file of minutes.

14. Moved and agreed that the delegates from the Radicue Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Corresponding: Absent.

Elder W. M. Weaver came from from the Bethlehem Association representing peace and love, desiring correspondence to continue; also a file of minutes.

15. Moved and agreed delegate from Bethlehem Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Fred Didly came forth from the Union Line Association representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegate be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Amos Humphrey came forth from the Loving Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring corespondence to continue.

17. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegate from the Loving Association be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate. Elder F. L. Coley came forth from Contentnea Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love, desiring correspondence to continue; also a file of minutes.

18. Moved and agreed that the report from the delegate be received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

Elder Cecil Alston came forth from the Coopers Grove Association with a file of minutes representing peace and love and desiring correspondence to continue.

19. Moved and agreed that the report of the delegate be

received by the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

20. Moved and agreed that the Corresponding Letter be called for. None received.

21. Moved and agreed that the petitionary letters be called for. None received.

22. Moved and agreed that we will see where the next session of our association will meet. The next Long Branch association will convene at the Leggetts Chapel Church in Leggetts, Edgecombe County, N. C., beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1964.

23. Moved and agreed that Elder J. H. Dickens preach the Introductory Sermon. Elder John Charles was chosen to preach the alternate.

24. Moved and agreed that the Long Branch Association conference adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00. Elder J. H. Dickens closed by singing hymn 507.

Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator
Elder Johnu Charles, Ass't Mod.
Brother Travis Knight, Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The association was called to order by Brother James Sharp by singing hymn 200. Prayer was led by Brother Jonah Knight. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson St. John 14. The Moderator announced the association open for business.

(April 28, 1964 the association held an extra session so the Clerk staightened out the minutes of the Saturday session.)

26. Moved and agreed list of churches be called. All present.

27. Moved and agreed that Friday evening session be read and approved.

28. Moved and agreed that Friday evening session be received and all errors corrected.

29. Moved and agreed that the Committee on Arrangement make their report as follows: 1. Elder General Dickens; 2. Elder Joe W. Dickens; 3. Elder S. L. Woodards.

30. Moved and agreed that the report of the committee be received.

31. Moved and agreed that the association letters be called for.

32. Moved and agreed the roll of delegates be called. All

present except Corresponding.

33. Moved and agreed to take up unfinished business.

34. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit our corresponding associations. It was agreed to send the delegates as follows:

Contentnea: Elder Joe W. Dickens, 1963.

Coopers Grove: Elder John Charles, 1964.

Loving: Brother James D. Dickens, 1964.

Radicue: Brother George Wimberly, 1964.

Union Line: Elder Joe W. Dickens, 1964.

Corresponding: Brother James D. Dickens, 1964.

Bethlehem: Elder J. H. Dickens, Brother James Sharp with him, 1964.

35. Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 250 copies of these minutes printed under the supervision of the Moderator.

36. Moved and agreed that the Association take up collection.

Received from churches	$75.00	
Penny collection	65.39	
Old treasury	1.35	$141.74
Expenses of association	$68.12	
Balance in treasury	73.62	$141.74

37. Moved and agreed the finance report be received.

38. Moved and agreed that the rules of Decorum and the Church Government and Abstract of Principles be printed in the minutes of 1963.

39. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of the association.

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Benediction by the Moderator.

Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator
Elder John Charles, Ass't Moderator
Brother Travis Knight, Clerk

PREACHING SERVICE

FRIDAY NIGHT: Meeting was opened by Brother Jonah Knight by singing hymn 200. Brother Travis Knight led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson St. John 14. Brother James D. Dickens preached a wonderful sermon. Elder General Dickens arose and preached concerning Joseph. Elder Station sang hymn 41 and preached from Isa. 29:11. Elder Amos Humphrey arose and preached 1 Tim. 23v. Elder John Charles made a few encouraging remarks. Elder Daniel Station sang for closing hymn 617. Benediction by Elder A. Humphrey.

SATURDAY MORNING: Elder John Charles opened by singing hymn 3 and led in prayer and read for the morning lesson St. John 14. Elder General Dickens arose and preached from St. John 14. Elder Joe W. Dickins preached from the same chapter. Elder John Charles gave some encouraging remarks. Closed by singing hymn 2. Benediction by the Moderator.

SATURDAY EVENING: Elder Joe W. Dickens opened by singing hymn 345. Brother George Wimberly led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson St. John 15. Brother Parker sang hymn 3 and preached from John 1. Elder John Charles arose and spoke wonderfully. Elder J. H. Dickens closed by singing hymn 340. Benediction by Elder John Charles.

SATURDAY NIGHT: Brother George Wimberly opened by singing hymn 353. Deacon Arthur Council led in preayer. Elder John Charles read for the evening lesson St. John 14. Elder Daniel Station sang hymn 597 and preached from Jeremiah 50. Elder Earl Hope preached from St. John 15. Elder Cecil Alston sang hymn 364 and preached from John 14. Elder John Charles spoke a few encouraging remarks. Elder Cecil Alston sang hymn 689 for closing and gave the benediction.

SUNDAY MORNING:
Elder Cecil Alston opened by singing hymn 141. Deacon Haywood Barnes led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for the morning lesson Gen. 7. Brother James D. Dickens preached wonderfully. Brother Parker arose and preached wonderfully. Elder Daniel Station sang hymn 500 and preached from Rev. 6. Elder Earl Hope sang hymn 393 and preached from the same charter. Elder Willie Maryland preached from Jeremiah 32:6. Elder Fred Dildy sang hymn 73 and preached from St. John 1. Elder Willie Bullock preaced Psa.89. Elder Amos H. Humphrey sang hymn 689 and preached from St. John 3. Elder Cecil Alston sang hymn 3 and preached "God is able. The Assistant Moderator spoke a few remarks. Elder Willie Carney sang hymn 689 for closing. Benediction by Elder Cecil Alston.

Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator
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CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ I trust,—It was enjoined upon me to write a corresponding letter, so I will call your attention to Psa. 108, "O God, my heart is fixed and I will sing." So brethren, I hope that our friendly correspondence will continue till time be no more. Farewell.

—Long Branch Association

By Brother George Wimberly.

CIRCULAR LETTER

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STATISTICAL TABLE

LONG BRANCH—Pastor: Elder J. H. Dickens. Messenger: Brother James Sharp. Communion month: Feb. Sun. of Meeting, 3rd. Total Membership: 9. Contribution: $15.00.

LOGSBORO—Pastor: Elder J. H. Dickens. Messenger: Brother James D. Dickens. Communion Month: Feb. Sun. of Meeting: 4th. Deceased: 1. Total Membership: 3. Contribution: $15.00.

LEGGETTS CHAPEL—Pastor: Elder J. H. Dickens. Messenger: Bro. Aston Higgs. Communion Month: Feb. Sun. of Meeting: 1st. Total Membership: 4. Contribution: $15.00.

TAR RIVER CHAPEL—Pastor: Elder John Charles. Messenger: Bro. Jonah Knight. Communion Month: March. Sun. of Meeting: 1st. Received by Baptism: 1. Total Membership: 14. Contribution: $15.

LITTLE MT. ZION—Pastor: Elder J. H. Dickens. Messenger: Bro. Jack Sherrod. Communion Month: Feb. Sun. of Meeting: 2nd. Restored to Fellowship: 1. Deceased: 2. Total Membership: 10. Contribution: $15.00.

ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder J. H. Dickens, R. F. D. 1, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder John Charles, Post Office Box, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder Joe W. Dickens, Rt. 2, Box 141A, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder General Dickens, Rt. 2, Box 18, Tarboro, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Brother Tom Lloyd, Bethel, N. C.
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DEACONS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Bro. James Sharpe, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. Jonah Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. George Wimberly, R.F.D. 4, Greenville, N. C.
Bro. Austin Higgs, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Brother Jack Sherrod, Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. James Harrell, Tarboro, N. C.
Brother Travis Knight, Rt. 1, Box 168, Tarboro, N. C.

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CHURCHES AND THEIR DEACONS

Long Branch—Brother George Wimberly.
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and Brother George Wimberly
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CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Long Branch—Sister Alice Peace, Tarboro, N. C.
Logsboro—Brother Travis Knight, Tarboro, N. C.
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Next, Brother Deacon Wimberly came forth and explained how the organizing of the Long Branch Association was carried out. Next, Elder B. B. Exum came forth and explained what this called meeting was for. Next, Elder W. J. Moore and Elder J. H. Winstead came forth to talk on the meeting. On motion that minutes of the previous meeting be read, it was granted. On motion agreed that Elder B. B. Exum come forth and confess his error and beg the conference to forgive him. On motion, agreed that it be granted. On motion agreed that the Long Branch brethren be left in care of the corresponding association until their session meeting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1948. On motion that the Long Branch brethren be in full fellowship with our corresponding churches wherever they be.

On motion, agreed that the clerk will take these minutes home and straighten them out as best he can and mail them to the different brethren.

It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing hymn 507.

ELDER JAMES H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't Moderator
BROTHER TRAVIS KNIGHT, Clerk

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by reputed righteousness in Christ.

5. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

6. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.

7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.

8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper, and washing of the saints' feet are ordinances and the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of righteous shall be eternal.

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Minutes

OF THE

Nineteenth

Annual Session

OF THE

Long Branch

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Little Mount Zion Church

EDGECOMBE COUNTY, SPEED, N. C.
FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY
IN OCTOBER,

1966

Next session convenes with Long Branch Church, located in Speed, N. C., Edgecombe Co., Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1967.

OFFICERS

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ELD. JOHN CHARLES - Ass't Moderator, Tarboro, N. C.
LUVENIA LLOYD - Clerk, P. O. Box 142, Speed, N. C.
MARY CHARLES - Assistant Clerk, Tarboro, N. C.

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Proceedings

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FRIDAY MORNING SESSION—October 14, 1966

Deacon Travis Knight opened meeting by singing hymn 339 and led in prayer. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 275. Elder John Charles read for morning lesson 1st chapter St. John.

Elder J. H. Dickens was chosen to preach introductory sermon. He preached Christ crucified. Elder John Charles was chosen to preach alternate sermon. He preached from St. John 14th chapter. Elder J. H. Dickens sang hymn 284 for closing. Benediction by Elder John Charles. Closed for one hour.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Meeting was open by Deacon Travis Knight by singing hymn 209. Deacon James Sharp led in prayer.

Elder J. H. Dickens announced the house in order for business.

1. Moved and agreed that the delegate retire to choose the Moderator. It pleased the minds of the delegates to choose Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator of this Association for next twelve months. He chose Elder John Charles his assistant.

2. Moved and agreed the report of the delegates to be received and discharged.

3. Moved and agreed Sister Luvenia Lloyd be the Association Clerk for next twelve months. Sister Mary Charles to be her Assistant for next twelve months.

4. Moved and agreed Deacon Travis Knight to be speaker of this house for the next twelve months. Deacon Jonah Knight his Assistant next twelve months.

5. Moved and agreed that Deacon James Sharp to be the Association Treasurer for next twelve months.

6. Moved and agreed that all other officers remain the same.

7. Moved and agreed that all delegates and messengers to be invited to sit with us and form a part in our conference.

8. Moved and agreed that roll of churches to be called. Long Branch, Leggetts Chapel, Logsboro, Tar River Chapel, Little Mount Zion, all present.

9. Moved and agreed that door be opened to receive new churches. None came forth.

10. Moved and agreed that committee of three be appointed to arrange preaching during this session as follows: Elder John Charles, Elder James D. Dickens, Deacon James Sharp. The committee reported (1) Brother James Harrell, (2) Elder James D. Dickens, (3) Elder General Dickens.

11. Moved and agreed the report of committee to be received and discharged.

12. Moved and agreed that Elder Joe W. Dickens record the preachers' texts from day to day.

13. Moved and agreed that Corresponding delegates now make their report.

14. Union Line Association: Elder James Avery reporting peace and love. Also a file of minutes, desiring correspondence to continue.

15. Moved and agreed report be received by Moderator extending right hand of fellowship to delegate.

Radicue Association: Elder Fred Lucas came forth reporting peace and love; also a file of minutes, desiring correspondence to continue.

16. Move and agreed the report be received by Moderator extending right hand of fellowship to delegate.

Bethlehem Association: Elder Kemp Atkinson came forth reporting peace and love; also a file of minutes, desiring correspondence to continue.

17. Moved and agreed the report to be received by Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to delegate.

Corresponding Association: Elder Ernest Farmer representing peace, love and a file of minutes, desiring correspondence to continue.

18. Moved and agreed report be received by Moderator ex tending the right hand of fellowship to delegate.

Contentnea Association: Brother Bennie Bryant representing peace and love; also a file of minutes, desiring correspondence to continue.

19. Moved and agreed the report be received by Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to delegate.

Loving Association: Elder Amos H. Humphrey representing peace and love; also a file of minutes, desiring correspondence

to continue.

20. Moved and agreed the report be received by Moderator extending right and hand of fellowship to delegate.

Coopers Grove Association: Elder W. B. Enoch representing peace and love; also a file of minutes, desiring correspondence to continue.

21. Moved and agreed the report be received by the Moderattor extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegate.

22. Moved and agreed the corresponding letters be called for and read.

23. Moved and agreed the letters be received.

24. Moved and agreed Deacon Travis Knight to write the Association letter, 1967.

25. Moved and agreed petitionary letters be called for. None received.

26. Moved and agreed that we will see where the next session of our Association will meet. The next Long Branch Association will convene at Long Branch Church at Speed, N. C. on 122 highway, beginning Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1967.

27. Moved and agreed Elder J. H. Dickens to preach Introductory Sermon; Elder John Charles to preach alternate sermon.

28. Moved and agreed Long Branch Association will adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00. Closed by singing hymn 507. Benediction by Elder David Bullock.

Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator
Elder John Charles, Ass't Moderator
Sister Luvenia Lloyd, Clerk
Sister Mary Charles, Ass't Clerk

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The association was called to order by Deacon Travis Knight by singing hymn 209. Deacon Jonah Knight led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for morning lesson John 14th chapter. Moderator announced the association is in order for business.

29. Moved and agreed visiting delegates and messengers be invited to sit with us and form a part in our conference and feel themselves at home.

30. Moved and agreed the roll of delegates be called. All

present.

31, Moved and agreed the list of churches be called. All present.

32. Moved and agreed the Friday evening session be read and approved.

33. Moved and agreed that Friday evening session be received and all errors corrected.

34. Moved and agreed the Committee an Arrangements now make their report as follows: (1) Brother James Harrell, (2) Brother Bennie Bryant, (3) Elder James Avery.

35. Moved and agreed that the report of committee be received and discharged.

36. Moved and agreed to take up unfinished business. Moved and agreed this association to ordain Brother James Harrell tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

37. Moved and agreed that we choose our delegates to visit our corresponding associations. It was agreed to send delegates as follows:

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Radicue: Elder James Harrell, 1967.
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38. Moved and agreed that the Clerk have 200 copies of these minutes printed under supervision of the Moderator.

39. Moved and agreed association letter be called for.

40. Moved and agreed this association take up association collection.

Received from churches	$75.00	
Penny collection	82.51	
Visiting Elders and friends	7.00	
Old treasury	.84	$165.35
Expenses of Association	$101.54	
Balance in treasury	$ 63.81	$165.35

41. Moved and agreed Finance report be received.

42. Moved and agreed that Rules of Decorum and the Church Government and Abstract of Principles be printed in the minutes of 1966.

43. Moved and agreed that the Finance Committee pay off the indebtedness of this Association.

44. Move and agreed that this Association adjourn until 1967 by singing hymn 340. Benediction by Elder J. H. Dickens.

Elder J. H. Dickens, Moderator
Elder John Charles, Ass't Moderator
Sister Luvenia Lloyd, Clerk
Deacon James Sharp, Treasurer

PREACHING SERVICE

FRIDAY NIGHT—Meeting was opened by Deacon Travis Knight singing hymn 200 and led in prayer. Elder John Charles read Jonas 1st chapter. Brother James Harrell preached wonderfully. Elder James D. Dickens preached St. John 1. Brother Bennie Bryant preached a wonderful sermon. Elder John Charles sang hymn 364. Benediction by Brother Bennie Bryant.

SATURDAY MORNING—Elder General Dickens opened by singing hymn 3 and led in prayer. Elder John Charles read for morning lesson St. John 14. Brother Bryant sang hymn 24, preached from In the beginning was the Word. Brother Isaac Bridges sang hymn 400, Blessed is he that mourns; he shall be comforted. Elder General Dickens preached from S. John. Elder Fred Lucus preached a wonderful sermon. Sang hymn 284 for closing. Benediction by Elder John Charles. Closed for one hour.

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SUNDAY MORNING—Deacon Travis Knight opened by singing hymn 209. Deacon Howard Barnes led in prayer. Elder P. L. Hill read for morning lesson Timothy 3. Brother James Harrell was ordained Sunday morning October 16, 1966. Elder John Charles read scripture lesson St. John 1. Elder James Harrell preached a wonderful sermon. Elder Rufus Jones preached from St. John 1. Brother Bennie Bryant sang hymn 530. Preached from last of Revelation. Elder Fred Lucus preached from Jonah. Elder Ernest Farmer sang hymn 144, preached from Nehemiah 1. Elder Kemp Atkinson preached from St. John 1. Elder W. B. Enoch preached a wonderful sermon. Elder P. L. Hill sang hymn 141. Preached St. John 1. Elder A. H. Humphrey sang hymn 506. Preached from St. Luke 15. Sang for closing hymn 689. Benediction by Elder A. H. Humphrey.

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CORRESPONDING LETTER

Dear Brethren in Christ:—The Lord has blessed us to meet together in another Association and we are glad to meet our corresponding bethren in peace and love. We thank the good Lord for extending His merciful hand to lead us, for as many as are led by the Spirit of God are the sons of God.

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Deacon Travis Knight, Rt. 1, Box 168, Tarboro, N. C.; Ph. 823-3464

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Next, Brother Deacon Wimberly came forth and explained how the organizing of the Long Branch Association was carried out. Next, Elder B. B. Exum came forth and explained what this called meeting was for. Next, Elder W. J. Moore and Elder J. H. Winstead came forth to talk on the meeting. On motion that minutes of the previous meeting be read, it was granted. On motion agreed that Elder B. B. Exum come forth and confess his error and beg the conference to forgive him. On motion, agreed that it be granted. On motion agreed that the Long Branch brethren be left in care of the corresponding association until their session meeting Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1948. On motion that the Long Branch brethren be in full fellowship with our corresponding churches wherever they be.

On motion, agreed that the clerk will take these minutes home and straighten them out as best he can and mail them to the different brethren.

It was granted.

On motion that the minutes of the previous meeting, which they held, be received. It was granted by conference.

On motion, agreed if no other business, conference adjourn by singing hymn 507.

ELDER JAMES H. DICKENS, Moderator
ELDER JOHN CHARLES, Ass't Moderator

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by reputed righteousness in Christ.

5. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

6. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, particular election.

7. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall.

8. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper, and washing of the saints' feet are ordinances and the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of righteous shall be eternal.

10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper, except such as are regularly ordained presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAMES OF CHURCH MESSENGERS	Annual or Com.	Sun. of Meeting	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored to Fel.	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Tot. Membership	Contributions
Long Branch	Deacon Travis Knight	Feb.	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	9	$15.00
Logsboro	Deacon Travis Knight	Feb.	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	15.00
Leggetts Chapel	Deacon Travis Knight	Feb.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	15.00
Tar River Chapel	Deacon Jonah Knight	Mar.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	15.00
Little Mt. Zion	Deacon James Sharp	Feb.	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	15.00

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